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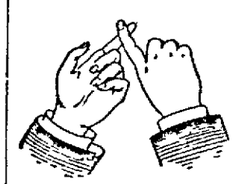
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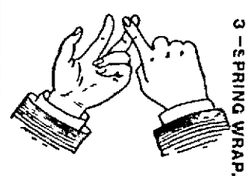
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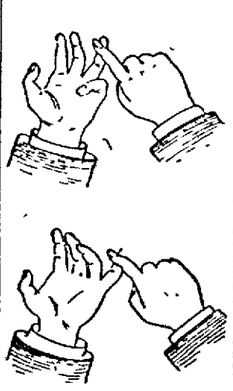
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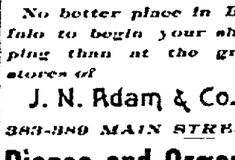
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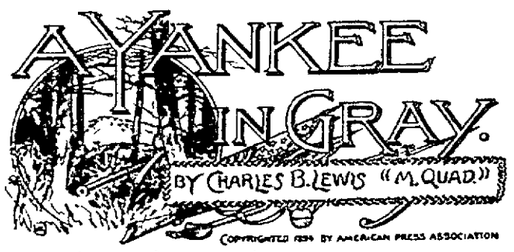

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CHAPTER V

It took three days more to enlist the men necessary to fill the ranks of the Shenandoah guards, as the company called itself, and while awaiting orders from Richmond an election of officers was held. Only a few of the volunteers were surprised at Royal Kenton's enlistment. They were men who had but one political belief—state rights. They were not looking beyond it to the southern confederacy but had enlisted and were going to the front to fight for Virginia. Why shouldn't he fight for his adopted state? So argued the captain, so argued the rank and file and many citizens of the town and, but for Duke Wyle Kenton would have been elected second lieutenant of the company. When he saw how things were going, he called Steve Brayton aside and said:

'Look here, Steve, you fellows are as blind as young kittens. If that Yankee hadn't signed the roll, what would have happened to him?'

'Tar and feathers and a ride on a rail!' replied Steve.

'And he was sharp enough to realize it. He enlisted as a blind.'

'Shoot. How kin he be on bluff that way?'

'We are going to the front. The first chance he gets he will desert to his side. He is playing a Yankee trick on you, and you ain't sharp enough to see it.'

'Doggone him but yo' may be right, lootenant yo' may be right!'

'Of course I m right!' You just move about right smart and give the boys the tip. Don't even elect him corporal. He s just one o that sort that if he gets any office at all he ll want to run the whole company.'

'And we don t propose to be run?'

'Of course not!'

Steve soon turned the tide' against Kenton, and that without any one knowing exactly what was taking place. The citizens of the town were almost as much interested in the election as the members of the company. The old lawyer had left Kenton to settle the matter according to his own judgment. When he heard that the young man had enlisted he was secretly pleased and it was his influence which made a number of the rank and file decide on electing Kenton as third officer of the company.

'I am not in the least disappointed,' replied Royal when the result of the voting was known and the office had gone to another. 'I enlisted without thought of position and prefer the ranks to any place they could give me. Besides, I am a Yankee you know and it is only natural that there should be a little feeling in the matter.'

There were two callers at the Percy mansion that evening. Duke Wyle came first. As previously stated he had been a frequent caller for any at or more some people had even said that there was an engagement. That was a mistake however. Try as hard as he could he could remember little or nothing to encourage him in believing that he was a favored suitor. Neither had he the slightest reason for believing that Royal Kenton had any advantage in that respect. It was simply the fact that he was also a visitor at the house that roused the spirit of jealousy and the desire to work mischief. His reception was cordial by both mother and daughter and both congratulated him on his election as one of the company officers. This paved the way for him to observe:

'I presume you have heard of the unblushing assurance of the Yankee as all call him in making every effort to be elected second lieutenant?'

'Do you refer to Mr. Kenton?' quickly answered Marian.

'Of course. He is the only Yankee I know of in this locality. The men saw through his scheme before it was too late however.'

'Did he have a scheme?' asked Mrs. Percy.

'Most certainly ma am—that is the members of the company fully believed he had.'

'What was it?' quietly asked Marian.

'Well, they all think he volunteered to bootwink us and that he will desert the first chance he gets.'

'But you don't believe it?'

'Well I—I—I can t say that I do, but he leans toward the north you know.'

'No I did not know it. He is a Virginian by adoption. He owes her allegiance. He did not enlist until he felt it his duty to go with his state. You did not enlist for any other reason, did you, Mr. Wyle?'

'Of course not, but I m a born Virginian, you know.'

Well I think Mr. Kenton acted according to his conscience and best judgment, and that the guards would have had reason to be proud of him as an officer.'

'Yes, I think so, too,' replied the mother.

The lieutenant realized that he was walking on dangerous ground and let the subject drop but in his own mind he decided that he had new cause for hating Royal Kenton and removing him from his path. During a moment of silence a plan flashed through his mind, and he presently said:

'It is an old saying you know that blood will tell. It may prove false in this case and I hope it will for Kenton is a fine young man. Suppose, however, he should actually desert to the Yankees and come back to fight against us?'

Then I should be glad to hear of his being shot as a deserter and a traitor!' exclaimed the girl as her eyes flashed and her color deepened.

'He would deserve it,' added the mother.

Duke Wyle had made his call intending to make every effort to discover just how he stood in Marian Percy's estimation. The presence of the mother acted as a restraint, and the demeanor of the daughter was not exactly what he had hoped for. In one sense he was disappointed and chagrined. In another he was encouraged and enthusiastic.

Duke makes a call.

'I can wait,' he said to himself as he walked down street. 'When the news comes back here that Kenton has deserted to the enemy, I shall have the field all to myself!'

The reception of Royal Kenton half an hour later may not have been more cordial, but his visit was more prolonged, and he appeared to glean more comfort from it. When the act of his non election to position was incidentally referred to he said:

'I did not seek for any position. Indeed, had it been left to me to accept or decline, I should have remained in the ranks.'

'This is only the beginning,' replied Marian. 'Virginia has always been ready to honor those who honor her. Mother and I both feel a little disappointed but we know it will come out right in the end.'

'Your mind is fully made up?' queried Mrs. Percy thinking of Duke Wyle's fling about desertion.

'Fully ma am,' replied Kenton. 'I stand or fall with Virginia.'

Two days later the company left for the front. Every soul in the ancient village turned out to bid them godspeed and goodby. Marian Percy shook hands with many with Royal Kenton and Duke Wyle among the number. People remarked that she was excited and enthusiastic but if her lover was among those over whose heads waved the state flag of Virginia she gave no sign but even to him.

The Shenandoah guards were made Company A of a Virginia regiment, which was among the first on the battlefield of Bull Run. When it was known that the Federals would attack when they were observed marching out of Centerville on that July morning to find the Confederates and gold Lieutenant Wyle found opportunity to say to Steve Brayton, who had been made a sergeant in the company:

'Well it seems that Yankee is with us yet.'

He on a right on hand, lootenant,' was the reply.

'How has he behaved himself?'

'Right well. I take it. Hain t heard one o the men find any fault.'

He s a deep one, Steve—deeper than I thought. He s been hiding his time. If he gets a chance today he ll go over to the Yankees. This is what he has been waiting for.'

'Shoot! But you don t think so?'

'Of course I do. The captain wants you to make it your business today in case the Yankees come out, to watch him. If he makes a break shoot him in the back. Better tell the rest of the boys so as to make sure of him.'

'Reckon the Yanks will pitch in?'

'Pretty sure to.'

'Goin to be a reg lar fout?'

'Looks like it.'

'Waal doggone my hide if I hain't feelin rather shaky in my legs already, and yo don t look none too peart, lootenant but I reckon I kin keep an eye on the Yankee if the shootin don t get too heavy.'

'Shoot him right down if he makes a break.'

'Jest so unless I m shot first. I ve bin achin fur a fout for the past three months but durn my skin if I don t wish I was back in camp and the Yanks 50 miles off! What s the use in all this fussin anyhow? Why can t we all sot down and hev a talk and fix things up?'

CHAPTER VI

Only a small portion of the Confederate forces made pursuit of the retreating Federal army and that so slowly that there was no fighting. The regiment to which the Shenandoah guards was attached moved down from the plateau and went into camp. It had been broken and defeated and yet it had rallied and won a reputation. Every one of the 10 companies had been more or less disorganized, but the guards perhaps worst of all. That this company should have been led back into the hottest of the fight by a private, and that it should have brought off the field one of the guns over which the fight had been so bloody furnished occasion for remarks throughout the entire brigade.

Duke Wyle was no coward. There wasn t a taint of craven blood in his veins. It was so also with his fellow lieutenant. The fall of the captain and the rush of the Federals had stampeded officers as well as men. War was a new thing and few had served an apprenticeship. Wyle followed the company back, but in the hurly burly became separated from it. He knew it was Royal Kenton carrying the flag and leading. He saw the gun brought off and he saw General Jackson halt the coatless, hatless and powder begrimed men to question them.

'He a a brick even if he is a Yankee and I ll shake hands with him' said the lieutenant to himself as he advanced to rejoin his company.

That was Duke Wyle, the man. He hadn t taken 30 steps before Duke Wyle, the rival lover cursed the luck which had given to another all the glory he had hoped to win and he growled:

'I owe him another for this, and I can t pay him off any too soon!'

The first man of his company he encountered was Steve Brayton. If Steve had given way in the knees before the fight opened he had pulled himself together in good shape as soon as he smelled powder. He had been the first man to turn and follow Kenton, and he had fought beside him to capture the gun.

'Waal lootenant' grinned Steve as he awkwardly saluted. 'I kept my eye on that Yankee all the time, but I didn't hev to shoot him!'

'Curse him, but what business had he to assume command of the company?' replied Wyle. 'I was just about to halt and re-form when you fools all rushed off after him!'

'Yes—I see!' remarked Steve, 'but I wouldn't find any fault if I was yo'. We uns is the only company in the regiment which captured a cannon, and the boys feel as peart as game chickens about it. Reckon I wouldn't say nuthin again the Yankee either! It won't look exactly right, you see!'

'You and the Yankee have suddenly become bosom friends!' sneered the officer.

'Not exactly, lootenant, but I hain't got nuthin agin him as any. If he ain't a Yankee spy, we orter hev about 10,000 mo' of 'em on our side!'

Late that evening after the stragglers had rejoined their commands and order had been brought out of confusion Lieutenant Wyle received an order to report at brigade headquarters. On his arrival he was admitted to the presence of General Jackson, who had that day won his famous sobriquet of "Stonewall."

'Lieutenant Wyle,' said the general as he received him, 'I am sorry to learn that your captain is so severely wounded that it will be months before he will be able to take the field again. I saw him in the field hospital two hours ago and congratulated him on the heroism displayed by his company. I wish also to congratulate you, and through you each and every man. That was a grand rally made in the face of disaster. One of your men acted like a hero of old. If you will give me his name, I will see that he is promoted to the position he deserves. He is a private, is he not?'

'Y-yes, sir,' stammered the lieutenant, confused and chagrined that his rival should be thus honored. 'His name, sir, is Ike'——

It was on his tongue to rob Royal Kenton of his laurels and transfer them to Ike Baxter, but he could not do it.

It was a private named Kenton, I believe,' he said as he lifted his eyes to those of the general again.

'Thanks. He is a brave man, and you ought to be proud of him. You must not feel put out about it, lieutenant. All of us are new to war yet. Coolness will come with experience. I have no fault to find with any of the officers or men. That's all, sir.'

The officer saluted and retired and made his way back to his company. But for one thing he would have sent for Royal Kenton and offered him his hand and his congratulations. Both loved the same maiden. Even if both had stood on the same footing in her estimation when the company left the valley events had occurred that day which would give his rival the lead.

The first thing Lieutenant Wyle did after reaching his lines was to send for Ike Baxter. He was much of the same mold as Steve Brayton—a small farmer, shiftless and uneducated and having a decided distaste for anything like hard work but far more bigoted in his sectional feelings. He was not one of the handful Kenton had rallied and led back, but was forced up with others later on and had his musket been examined after the battle was over it would have been discovered that it had not been once discharged.

'Ah, I am glad to see you, my brave boy!' said the lieutenant as Ike came sculking into his tent. 'I want to compliment and congratulate you on the pluck and bravery you displayed in that battle. I had my eye on you most of the time and I never saw a cooler man in the face of danger.'

'Yo——yo doan' mean it, lootenant!' gasped Ike who fully realized that his conduct was open to censure instead of praise.

'Mean it? Of course I do! I am proud to have such a brave man in the ranks of the company. As the captain is badly wounded I shall probably be promoted soon, and I will see that you are made corporal at least.'

'I enlisted to fight them dod durned Yankees, and I went for 'em the best I knowed how,' said Ike, who had recovered from his surprise and was now willing to take all the credit extended.

'Yes, you did a power to help drive 'em back,' replied the officer, 'and I'll see that you are properly rewarded. By the way Ike, what are the men saying about that Yankee?'

'He un can t be no Yank.'

'Why not?'

'Why, he un fout dead agin 'em. They all is sayin that he's a snorter to fight. Reckon he'll get office.'

'Look here, Ike, don t you be taken in and done for like the rest! Do you know why he enlisted?'

'On account of tar and feathers, I reckon.'

'Exactly. You had him boxed up that night. He wasn t ready to skip, and he was afraid of being coated. He reckoned on deserting to his friends when we got down here.'

'Then why didn't we uns fix 'em?'

'We had our eyes on him, but he was too sharp for us. He knew we were watching him, and he didn't dar' to bolt. He had a better plan than that. When he grabbed that flag and led you back—and I saw you were one of the first to follow—do you know what his plan was?'

'To git that cannon, I reckon.'

'No, sir! No, sir! He fooled the whole pack of you! He intended to lead you into a trap and get you all captured.'

'Yo' doan' say!'

'But I do! I know all about it. If I hadn't followed on with the rest of the company not one of you would have got back alive.'

'Then, dod rot his Yankee hide, why doan' we uns jump right onto him heavy?' shouted the excited Ike.

'Because we've no positive proofs, you see. He's been too deep and sly thus far. You see, he's even fooled almost every man in our company. You haven't no love fur Yankees, I take it!'

'Dod rot 'em, I reckon I killed about 20 of 'em down thar', but I wish it had been a hundred!'

'I wish this fellow was out of our company,' mused Wyle. 'So long as he is with us we have got to be on our guard against his Yankee tricks. He'd feel proud to take us all over to the Yankees.'

'Why doan' yo' un git him out?' asked Ike after a moment's reflection.

'I'd like to, but how can I? I've just come from brigade headquarters, where General Jackson asked after him and as much as said he'd promote him. He'll probably give him the place I want you to have. He's fooled Jackson the same as he has the rest of us.'

'And Jackson will make he un a corporal?' asked Ike.

'Sure to.'

'Say, lootenant,' whispered Ike as he drew a step nearer, 'I reckon I know how to get that Yank outer this company!'

'How?'

'Shoot him out!'

'I—I don t understand!'

'If he un goes, do I git to be corporal?'

'Yes.'

'Then yo' leave it to me! Mebbe it will take a week or two, but yo' bet yo'r last dollar he un's got to go!'

CHAPTER VII.

After Bull Run Federals and Confederates began making earnest preparations for war. The holiday was over. There was no longer talk of 60 or 90 day campaign, of soldiers returning to the farm in time to harvest the crops. While the Federals gathered on the plains of Arlington to learn the tactics of war the Confederates remained on the fields where their first victory had been won and prepared for what was to come. There was fighting in the west, armies were being raised and troops moved in every direction, but we follow only those which had confronted each other on that famous field.

Organized and reorganize, drill, scout reconnoissance, arm and equip. In the beginning the various companies had been allowed to select their own officers by ballot. After Bull Run all commissions came from the secretary of war, all noncommissioned officers were duly appointed. Duke Wyle was commissioned captain of the Shenandoah guards, the second lieutenant was advanced, and the orderly sergeant was promoted to a lieutenancy. Among those who secured brief furloughs were Captain Wyle and Steve Brayton. The latter reached home first. The story of the battle was known, but the story of the rally—the incident which had directed General Jackson's attention to Royal Kenton—was news to the people and a great surprise. Brayton had no need to exaggerate facts to compel cheers for the "Yankee" as Kenton was still called. He told the story over and over again, always to an interested audience, and he always wound up with the observation:

'I reckon yo' all know that I was agin him and kinder hoped to put on the tar and feathers, but I've changed my mind. Durn my hide if I don t wish he was captain of our company!'

One day as he passed the Percy mansion Marian was at the gate, seemingly waiting for him.

'I have read of the battle and heard a great deal of talk about it,' she said, 'but would you mind telling mother and I of the part taken by our own company? We are naturally more interested in them than any other participants.'

Sitting on the veranda with mother and daughter for an audience and using a piece of chalk to draw a rude diagram on the boards, Steve Brayton kept them deeply interested for an hour.

'You were at first driven back?' queried Marian when he had finished.

'Driv' right back like a flock of sheep, and thar' hain't no use to deny it,' he replied.

'Where were your officers?'

'Runnin as fast as the rest of us.'

'And Mr. Kenton rallied you?'

'He did, ma'am. Abner Jenkins was carryin our company flag, and he tumbled down and left it lyin on the ground. I was right behind him with Kenton, and the Yankee lifts it up, waves it about and yells for us to halt and rally.'

'And did the officers rally, too?' persisted Marian.

'Waal, yes, but they was purty slow about it. We had got the cannon and were drawin it off afore I saw any of 'em. Reckon they feel mightily cut up over it, for they allus said the Yankee wouldn t stand fire.'

Steve Brayton was not a close observer, or he might have discovered a secret that afternoon. Both mother and daughter exhibited the greatest interest and asked him many questions, and when he took his departure he said to himself:

'Durn my hide if they wasn't more interested than half the men!'

Twenty three days later Captain Wyle appeared, and Steve Brayton vanished. The captain expected to create a sensation, but was bitterly disappointed. Everybody was friendly, but Brayton had told the story of the rally and put the credit where it belonged. He had plenty of excuses to urge—and his story was quite different from Brayton's, but somehow it failed to go. While he was congratulated on his promotion, which was strong evidence in itself of his good standing with his superior officers, he had not rallied his flying company and led it back, and no one could be quite satisfied with his record. On the second evening of his arrival he called upon the Percys. His sole reason for returning home at that time was to make this call. The victory which he had helped to achieve, his promotion, the laudatory notices he had received in his home newspaper, all these things went to make him believe that he would be accorded a frank welcome by mother and daughter and that opportunity might be given him to plead his cause.

The captain's welcome was cordial enough, and after the first salutations conversation naturally turned to the war. He took an early opportunity to laughingly remark:

'Well, I suppose you have heard all about our Yankee?'

'To whom do you refer, captain?' stiffly inquired Marian.

'Why, to Kenton, of course. I believe you both knew him? I had no idea

He drew up his muskets and deliberately fired to kill.

that he could be induced to enlist, and I am surprised that he did not desert to his friends before the battle opened.'

'Mr. Kenton believed it his duty as a citizen of Virginia to take up arms in her cause,' replied the mother.

'And instead of deserting he seems to have led your company to victory,' quietly added Marian.

'He was simply in the rear as we faced about and was carried along with the rush,' explained the captain. 'Nevertheless he is a brave man, and I hope he is in earnest.'

'Why shouldn't he be?' asked the girl.

'Blood will tell' is an old saying. I shan't be surprised to wake up some morning and find that he has deserted to the enemy.'

'You do Mr. Kenton great injustice!' ejaculated Marian as her color came and went, and her eyes looked brighter than he had ever seen them before. 'I have seen nothing in him to lead me to believe that he would countenance anything dishonorable, and brave men are never recorded as deserters.'

If the captain had planned to make her betray her true feelings toward Royal Kenton, he had succeeded. Her looks and demeanor, added to the words she uttered with so much spirit, satisfied him that his own cause unless something unforeseen should arise, was hopeless. While he was a man of hot temper he had a great self control, and when he left the house neither mother nor daughter suspected his bitterness of feeling.

'It's no use to deceive myself!' he muttered as he walked slowly down the street. 'If the Yankee doesn't desert, and if he is not killed in battle or otherwise, he will return to wed her. With him removed my path is clear. It will be my fault if something doesn't happen to him very soon!'

Something did happen—two or three somethings—before the captain's return to camp. Ike Baxter thoroughly understood what Captain Wyle desired, and he was eager for an opportunity to carry out his wishes. One night when both were on guard about the camp he wheeled in his beat, drew up his musket and deliberately fired to kill. Kenton was hardly 20 feet distant, face turned away and completely at his mercy. The heavy bullet passed between his arm and side and sped across the camp and killed a poor sergeant as he lay sleeping on his bed. The would be assassin pleaded accident, and it was natural to believe that it was such. Kenton was one of the first to excuse him, and not the slightest suspicion of the soldier's murderous intentions found lodgment in his mind.

Another incident, and one with far more pleasant surroundings, occurred the very next day. A message came to the commanding officer of the guards from Stonewall Jackson to send Private Kenton to his headquarters. The general looked at the young man before him for half a minute before saying:

'You headed the detachment which captured the gun in a final to hand fight. You did nobly. Who is captain of your company?'

'Captain Wyle, sir.'

'Ah, yes. Captain Truesdale was wounded and crippled for life. I see. And you are still a private?'

'Yes, sir.'

'H m! I ought to have remembered you, but I have been busy—very busy. Is your captain with his company?'

'No sir. He left several days ago on furlough.'

'H'm! And haven't you asked for a furlough too?'

'I have not.'

'Well, we'll see about it later on. Tomorrow I shall be away. The day after at 10 o clock in the morning I wish you to report him to me. Stay! I will write an order to that effect, which will be your authority for leaving camp. Show it to your commanding officer.'

And when Kenton returned to the guards and related his interview and exhibited the order all congratulated him—all except Ike Baxter. That individual felt himself greatly wronged, and his mutterings took the form of words:

'Drat that durned Yankee, but he's jest gwine to boss this hull army if the captain doan' don hurry back to camp!'

CHAPTER VIII.

As with the Federals at Arlington, so with the Confederates on the fields and meadows to the south. Battles were fought on the eastern coast and on the western rivers—battles which made history were fought in North Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri, but the Army of Virginia remained in its camps. Its leaders realized from the beginning that Virginia would be the real battleground of the war, and that the Army of Virginia would be called upon to render heroic defense. Every hour gained was an advantage, every day a gain of men and material and experience.

When Royal Kenton reported to General Jackson as per order, he was asked if he knew the country to the north of the Confederate outposts. He was forced to reply that he was entirely ignorant of it.

'This is a disadvantage, but one you can overcome,' said the general. 'We are in need of a few more brave men at the front to act as scouts. Would you have any objection to serving in that capacity?'

'I—I should not like to act the part of a spy,' stammered Kenton in much confusion.

'Nor would I ask you to. A spy is generally a brave man and often moved solely by patriotism, but few of them are soldiers and the profession is under a stigma. As a scout you go in your uniform, secure such information as you can in a legitimate way, and if captured you are treated as a prisoner of war. You can take a comrade with you or go alone, as you elect. Do not be afraid to state your objections if you have any.'

'I will go and go alone,' replied Kenton after a moment's thought.

'Very well I am glad to hear it. You can now return to your company, and during the day I will send the proper order to your captain. Upon your return report to me direct, and I have no doubt you will bring information of value.'

That afternoon Captain Wyle returned to his company, and when he received the order detailing Private Kenton for temporary duty at headquarters and learned its object he was almost tempted to congratulate him. As between captain and private or between man and man, he would have done so with great heartiness but as a rival lover he could not. When Ike Baxter had related the story of the attempted "removal," as he called it, he expected words of praise, but they were not uttered. On the contrary, his action was severely criticised, and he went away to sulk and growl.

'Understand me,' said the captain as Ike betrayed his disappointment by word and look, 'I don't want murder or assassination. I hate him because he's a Yankee and because he is an enemy among us. I want to drive him out—force him to desert to his own side. I want the news to go back home that he has deserted and is a traitor to us. Bring that about, and I'll do anything I can to reward you, but don't shoot him down in cold blood. Now that General Jackson has taken him under his wing we must be more careful than ever.'

Armed with a pass that would take him through the Confederate lines and pickets, Royal Kenton made his way toward Washington. When he reached the last outpost, the officer in command gave him the lay of the country along that front, the position of the Federal videttes so far as known, and named many farmers who sympathized with the Confederate cause and would give him shelter. It was about 10 o'clock in the forenoon when Kenton left the last post behind him and disappeared in the woods. He knew in a general way what was required of him. It was, first, to push as near the Federal lines as possible, and then to estimate the strength of camps or marching columns, locate forts and earthworks and seek to discover the strength of positions. Spies go in disguise and often remain in a camp for days. Scouts are saved from the halter when caught only because they are not "an enemy in disguise." The spy is detested simply because he is generally moved by a financial consideration and is often a person who will work for the side paying him the best.

The neutral ground between the two armies was a strip of territory from three to six miles wide. Reconnoissances were almost of daily occurrence from one side or the other, and cavalry commands patrolled the highways at frequent intervals.

The sentiment of the Virginia farmers was overwhelmingly Confederate, and whenever Kenton identified himself he was given all information at h

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Smethport, Pa., April 27, 1894.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

I am directed by the Republican State Committee to announce that the Republicans of Pennsylvania, by their duly chosen representatives, will meet in the Court House in Harrisburg, Pa., on Wednesday, May 23d, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the following purposes, to wit:

For the nomination of candidates to be voted for by the electors of Pennsylvania, namely: for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, two Members of Congress from the State at Large, Auditor-General, Secretary of Internal Affairs, and for the transaction of such other business as may be presented.

Attention is called to the rule adopted at the State Convention of 1893 providing for the basis of representation, as follows:

"Representatives in State Conventions shall be based upon the vote cast at the Presidential or Gubernatorial election immediately preceding, one delegate for every 2,000 Republican votes and an additional delegate for a fraction exceeding 1,000 votes, each District to have at least one delegate."

By order of the Republican State Committee,

ATTEST: JAMES S. HAY, } Secretaries.
A. D. HEPBURN, }

M. S. QUAY, Chairman.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

TO THE REPUBLICAN ELECTORS OF McKEAN COUNTY.

Pursuant to the action of the Republican County Committee, notice is hereby given that a Republican County Convention will be held at Smethport on Tuesday, May 1st, 1894, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of recommending a candidate for Congress, nominating a two candidates for members of Assembly, one candidate for Coroner, one candidate for Jury Commissioner and electing two delegates to the Republican State Convention to be held at Harrisburg on the 23d day of May, 1894, and for the transaction of any other business that may be properly presented.

Primaries for the election of delegates to said County Convention and for the election of members of the County Committee for the ensuing year (one for each district) will be held in each of the respective election districts of the county at the regular polling places on Saturday, the 28th day of April next, between the hours of 2 and 9 o'clock in the evening, for voting as to the Township of Foster, whereas the said primaries shall be open from 2 to 8 o'clock in the afternoon, and the County Convention, wherein the primaries shall be open from 2 to 8 o'clock in the afternoon, and the several districts of Hamilton township from 5 to 7 o'clock p. m.

Y. B. CLARK, Chairman.

Bradford, Pa., March 14, 1894.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Congress.

We are authorized to announce Hon. C. W. Stone as a candidate for Congress, at the next election, in the 37th Congressional District, comprising Venango, Warren, McKean and Cameron counties, subject to nomination by the convention for said district.

We are authorized to announce the name of J. M. McElroy, of Smethport, Pa., as a candidate for representative in the State Legislature, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention.

W. E. BURDICK.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 24, 1894.

We are requested to announce the name of George Tarbilton, of Sone, Pa., as a candidate for the nomination of Member of Assembly, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

EDITORS MINER: Please announce that I am a candidate for Representative in the State Legislature, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

HERMAN H. NORTH.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 15, 1894.

We are authorized to announce the name of R. R. Sherman, of Kendall Creek, as a candidate for the nomination for Coroner, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of D. F. Walsh, of Bradford, as a candidate for the nomination for Coroner, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of A. C. Hawkins as a candidate for delegate to the Republican State Convention, subject to the usages of the Republican party.

We are authorized to announce the name of Sheridan Barber as a candidate for delegate to the Republican State Convention, subject to the usages of the Republican party.

Walter Ostrander, of Liberty township, hereby announces his name as a candidate for Jury Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

WHY don't Congress repeal the ten per cent. on State banks?

THE tariff is proving a veritable "Buzz Saw" to the Democrats.

BY the time the Wilson bill and the income tax bill is passed there will be very little income to tax.

SING SING had enough trouble before it received McKane. Now it has the small pox within its walls.

THE President has made another contribution to the political fund as per his letter to Jeremiah Black, of Pennsylvania.

BE sure to attend the Republican caucus Saturday night and see that good men are sent as delegates to the County Convention.

IF Cleveland could have foreseen the effect, we are inclined to think, he would not have written his message on the tariff in 1887.

WONDERS will never cease. Congressman Hatch, of Missouri, wants to have Joe Sibley nominated on the Democratic ticket for Vice President. Hatch must be a joker of the English type.

IT is rather amusing, after all that has been said by Democrats against the odious Reed rules, to try to make out that they were not Reedy rules at all but had been used years before. Politicians make strange assertions sometimes.

THE passage of the Wilson bill would set loose a swarm of Federal tax-gatherers upon the community to collect the colossal income tax. The Democrat who votes for this iniquity should be voted down by Democrats. —*Troy Press (Dem.).*

HOW anxiously the voters throughout the land are wishing for November to come. The average voter is honest. He honestly voted for a change two years ago. He now sees his mistake and like a war-horse is anxiously waiting the order to charge. It will be charge for a change. Let it come.

IT is very encouraging to the poor man with a family on his hands to support and out of work to be told by the Democrats, who are in power, that the Republicans are to blame for the hard times, when under Republican rule he had plenty of work and good pay.

ORGANIZE lively Republican clubs in every voting precinct in the county. There is no reason why McKean county should not capture the banner next November for the largest Republican gain. Democrats are like ripe fruit hanging to trees, only waiting to be gathered into the Republican fold. Now is a good time to set the nets. Organize clubs.

WHERE ARE WE AT?

TAYLOR HUDDLE P. O., (away out west) April 23, 1894.

In the fall of 1892 we were apparently a united band of Democrats, but what is the situation at the present time? We find ourselves disrupted on all sides. Some way we cannot pull together. One faction wants free trade, another faction desires a certain amount of protection, others want free silver. The eastern Democrats are *determined to have a sound money* basis. The southern Democrats are bent on State banks, in favor of wild-cat money. Another portion of our party are determined on an income tax. The consequence is we have arrived at the parting of several ways and the end of the matter will be that we will be scattered like the children of Israel, to the four winds of the earth and our great victory of 1892 will wipe us off from the earth. It has always been thus. Our party will have to get rid of its State's rights doctrine before it can do any good. That was the cause of our overthrow in 1860. Then we were largely in the majority, but factional efforts destroyed us, and it will be so now, helplessly stranded on State's rights and sectional creed. It makes me sad to think our leaders will be so weak in national matters. Our great Democratic party is virtually gone. I hear murmurings from the solid south that says too plainly to be mistaken, beware. Congress is not following the Chicago platform and things are coming to such a pass that we will vote for a change at the next election, and if we lose the southern States, why, we will have nothing left, as there is not a State north of the Mason and Dixon line that we can count on as going Democratic. The outlook is sad indeed. Unless Congress will, in a few days, be able to devise some means of getting out of the dilemma they are in our Democratic party is a dead goose. I am sad indeed. We promised so much to the people of the land. We told them times would be good, labor plenty, good wages, provisions would be cheap and clothing would be bought for almost nothing. We also promised there would be no more strikes. But everything has gone opposite to what we predicted. It seems we can promise but never fulfil. I begin to see one thing, that to write a platform simply to catch votes and that we could not carry out is a very poor principal for any party to undertake. We caught the votes but are unable to fulfill our promises, hence the divergence from our party. Ever since the campaign of 1893 we have been losing on all sides. As a Democrat I dislike to say it, but the way matters look there is very little hope of electing any Democratic Congressmen in the northern states and our chances in the south are growing slimmer every day. Well, we are in the soup, as it were.

BARNEY JACKSON, Dem.

THE Democratic leaders are making a great cry over the fact that the hard times are due to the Republican laws under which we live. This appears a very thin and flimsy argument to offer. Under Republican laws and Republican management the country has been prosperous for over thirty years. No sooner does the Democratic party come into power than the country is swept from one side to the other by a regular tornado of hard times. Will any fair-minded man say that if the Democratic party, when they came into power, had said, we will try the existing laws for a time and see how they work before we decide on a radical change, we ask will anyone attempt to say the country would have experienced such a sudden depression of all industries as it has under the Democratic threat of repealing the McKinley law and passing the income tax? It is mere bombast for any man to say that if the Republican party had remained in power times would have been as hard as they are at present. The millions of petitions sent to Congress by the laboring men against the passage of the Wilson bill speak in tones not to be mistaken, and Congress had better heed the voice of warning ere it is too late.

THE vote on the income tax in Congress shows on the face of it that it is a sectional measure. Votes in favor of the bill were 108 from southern States, 69 from the western States, 3 from the middle States and 2 from the New England States. Thus, of the 182 votes cast for the income tax, only 5 were cast in the great middle and New England States. It will be seen that the votes furnished to pass the bill came from the States where it will affect the people very little, thus showing its sectional principles. Congress seems unable to frame a bill broad enough to cover the whole country. Sectionalism is too small a principle to find favor in this great common wealth.

THE Democratic Congress has made a good start at last, by adopting the rules of the 51st Congress. Now let it continue the good work and own up that they were wrong in 1892, denounce the free trade platform of that year, throw the Wilson bill to the dogs, pitch the income tax along, drown the ten per cent. bill on State banks, ask the country's pardon for the wild west show of the past eight months, go home about their business and never come back unless their constituents feel disposed to return them to Congress. If they do so the country, in time, may forgive them. But unless they do their name is "Dennis."

REED and the other Republican Congressmen captured a lot of Democratic thunder last week. The underpinning tumbled away and left the Democrats suspended in the air, and they finally surrendered, gave up the ship, acknowledged the fact that Reed was right when he counted a quorum. It is fun to fly, but very inconvenient to light when a person comes down in the shape the 53d Congress did.

THIS will be a good time for Congress to show its love for the soldier, by granting a pension to followers of Commodore *General* Coxey. This undoubtedly would be more pleasing to the present Congress than granting them to the veterans who preserved our union, and would keep Hoke Smith from *fan*ning onto the boys in blue.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23, '94.—The Democrats have made substantial progress during the week. Finding themselves absolutely unable to perform the business of the House without Republican assistance, in spite of the fact that they have an enormous majority in that body, they yielded to the inevitable necessity of calling upon the party which saved the country thirty years ago to help them out. So they deliberately, by order of a caucus of their own party, decided to adopt the much maligned and hated "Reed rules" for the governing of the House of Representatives. In all the history of the Democratic party there has been a no more abject surrender. There has been no such surrender since Lee met Grant under the apple tree at Appomattox and surrendered that great army of Democrats to the Republican leader of the United States forces. Since Speaker Reed and a Republican majority in the 51st Congress originated and adopted the rule authorizing the counting of all members present in the House of Representatives in order to show the presence of a quorum, the Democrats have not failed to heap abuse and charges of all sorts upon the heads of Mr. Reed and his followers for that action. When Mr Reed, as Speaker, announced the principles contained in those rules there were cries of "revolution," "tyranny," "usurpation" and other utterances of this character. Mr. Reed was denounced as a "Czar" and the course of the Republican party in adopting these rules was held to be an absolute and unquestioned violation of the constitution. Even after the Supreme Court fully sustained Mr Reed and his rules the Democrats continued to denounce them, but after floundering hopelessly and helplessly through seven months of a valueless session, they were driven in despair to adopt the very rules against which they had railed so long and vigorously and viciously. It was a triumph for the Republican party such as has not been known for many a year, and showed more clearly than any recent incidents the overwhelming folly of the leaderless rabble with those of the mob known as the Democracy of the House. The rules adopted contained every important element of those adopted by the Republican Congress four years ago and similarly denounced, but do not furnish the satisfactory working system as the methods are more cumbersome and will probably be amended, to come even more nearly in line with the Republican rules before they are in use very long.

Now that the House has Republican rules by which it can be governed and by which business can be pushed the Democratic leaders begin to hope for accomplishing something. They have wasted over seven months of this Congress, accomplishing nothing except the passage of a measure taking off the statute books a very vestige of protection for Republican voters in the south and in the great cities of the north. They have passed through the House a tariff bill against which the country has protested in such vigorous terms that they begin to fear that it will never become a law. They have struggled month after month to carry out that promise of their platform with reference to the repeal of the tax on State banks circulation, against which the people are also protesting and now they are in despair as to the possibility of keeping this pledge. As to their silver pledges, under the lash of the gentleman in the White House and the dictation of Wall street they have been ruthlessly broken. So their seven months' record in Congress has resulted in final enactment of simply one measure promised by their platform—the repeal of all federal laws guaranteeing a free ballot and a fair count.

There is great anxiety in the Democratic minds now as to the future of this Congress. Your average Democrat makes no concealment of his anxiety. They see the hand writing on the wall. The recent elections east, west, everywhere, except in the solid south, show that there is little prospect of their being able to retain control of Congress. It is evident to the most sanguine Democratic observer that the Republicans are going to have a majority in at least one branch of the next Congress. So they know that unless a tariff bill is enacted by this Congress there will not go up on the statute books a Democratic tariff law. Indeed, they know that the chances are 99 out of 100 that the tariff bill will be defeated unless they push it through during this session. And with Senator Hill, of New York, and Senator Smith, of New Jersey, on the Democratic side outspoken against the bill, Senator Peffer, Populist, also outspoken against it, and sundry other Democrats understood to be greatly dissatisfied with it, the chances of its passage in the Senate are looked upon as slim. Without a rule by which discussion can be closed at any given date, the slender Democratic majority in that body finds that it is going to have great difficulty in bringing the bill to a final vote. It is understood that there are four or five Democratic Senators so much dissatisfied with the bill, especially with the income tax feature, that they will make no effort to push the bill unless the income tax is eliminated, and the Democrats of the House insist that they will never consent to the passage of the bill unless the income tax is retained as a part of it.

Meantime the anxiety and distress in regard to financial matters, the result of Democratic mismanagement and threats of tariff reduction, continues. The $50,000,000 which Secretary Carlisle borrowed by the issue of bonds which Congress refused to especially authorize but which he issued upon an already existing law, is being rapidly exhausted, and the end of the fiscal year seems likely to find the treasury again practically empty. More than half of the $50,000,000 thus obtained has been already dissipated, owing to the fact that the receipts of the treasury under the depression and alarm caused by the tariff, have so fallen off that they are not equal to the running expenses. It is a sad contrast, and one which gives the average Democrat pain to see the condition of the treasury department now compared with that under Republican rule. Instead of piling up a surplus and constantly reducing the public indebtedness, as was the case year by year and administration by administration under Republican rule, this Democratic administration not only fails to obtain money enough to meet its running expenses but has actually in one short year plunged the country $50,000,000 in debt, instead of reducing the indebtedness as the Republican party has been doing in all the years in which it has been in control of the affairs of the country since the war.

In the midst of it all, the Democratic Congress, with an enormous majority in the House and a working majority in the Senate, stands day after day, week after week, month after month accomplishing nothing, except to continue to agitate and alarm the country and to continue to decrease the public receipts and to increase the public indebtedness.

THE President missed a great opportunity. He is very fond of duck shooting. Why didn't he go up the Potomac and take a shot at some of Coxey's ducks while they were on the water? It would have settled the great commonweal question.

The blood is the source of health. Keep it pure by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is peculiar to itself, and superior to any other, possessing merit and medical merits.

INTERESTING FIGURES.

The Tribune's Washington special says: If there was to be an equal division of property of the United States each man, woman and child would receive $1,032 as his or her share, according to the valuation of the real estate and personal property in the census returns. The total value of all property in 1890 was $65,037,091,197, which was an increase of 49.02 per cent. over the returns of 1880.

In 1850 the total valuation of property in the country was a little over $7,000,000,000, or $308 per capita. In 1860 it was sixteen billion dollars, or $514 per capita. In 1870 it was thirty billion dollars, or $780 per capita, and in 1880 it was $43,300,000,000, or $870 per capita.

In live stock, farm implements and machinery, Iowa stands first, Illinois second, New York third, Missouri fourth, Kansas fifth, Ohio sixth and Pennsylvania seventh. In mines and quarries, Pennsylvania heads the list, with Colorado second and California third. In machine shops and mills New York comes first, Pennsylvania second, Massachusetts third and Illinois fourth. In railways New York leads, Illinois second, Kansas third, Pennsylvania fourth, Texas fifth, Iowa sixth and Ohio seventh.

LAST year nothing would do but Congress must repeal the McKinley bill, so the Democratic newspapers cried. Now the same papers are urging Congress to pass some kind of a bill as the country is suffering. These newspapers remind us of the old maid who was praying to the Lord for a man under the trees, when an owl overhead gave a hoot of "who! who!" The old maid replied: "Anyone, Lord, only so it's a man." Anything in the shape of a bill would suit the demoralized Democracy now.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE OF KIDNEYS.

Cured by the Discovery and Use of Chemical Extracts.

Mr. J. Brake, Petrolea, Ont., writes: Four years ago I had a severe attack of Bright's disease which brought me so low my doctor said that nothing more could be done for me. When one of your lectures on the above disease was read to me I took Pe-ru-na and Ma-na-lin, and found it acted just as represented. In three months I was a well man, and have continued well ever since.

SYMPTOMS.—Dull pain in the back, scanty, high colored urine, containing albumen and various sediments, nausea, and sometimes vomiting; puffiness of the face and feet; dropsy of the legs, shortness of breath and general weakness, pallor and dryness of the skin, chilly feelings, alternating with fever and sleeplessness.

THE DOSE.—A tablespoonful of Pe-ru-na should be taken before each meal, between meals, and at bedtime, and enough Ma-na-lin at night to produce one natural action of the bowels each day. When the disease is of long standing heated Pe-ru-na should be applied to the back in addition to the above treatment, and the diet consist principally of milk and dry toast. Avoid liquors and tobacco.

Send for free copy of Family Physician No. 2. Address The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise and delight to physicians on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport, Pa.

English Spavin Liniment removes all hard, soft or callousted lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavins curbs, splints, sweenys, ringbone stifles, all swollen throats, coughs, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful blemish cure ever known. Sold by A. B. Armstrong Druggist, Smethport Pa.

Our new line of wall paper, we claim will take the cake. Latest styles, latest patterns and most beautiful designs of any in the market, and we will not be undersold by anyone. A competent paper hanger will be furnished on application at our place of business. Call and see our immense stock of wall paper.

SWEET & SASSE.

Said a noted man of 60 years, "my mother gave me Down's Elixir for coughs and colds when I was a boy."

PUBLIC SALE
OF
Valuable Real Estate.

Pursuant to an order of the Orphans' Court of McKean county, Pennsylvania, dated April 21, 1894, there will be sold, at public sale, at the Court House, in Smethport, Pa., on Tuesday, May 22, 1894, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate of Nilus Crossmyre, late of Keating township, in said county, deceased, to-wit:

All that certain piece, parcel and tract of land situate, lying and being in the township of Keating, county of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post the northeast corner of lot No. 321, warrant No. 3,091; thence west 175.5 perches to a blue birch on the bank of Potato creek; thence down the creek north 70 and three-fourths degrees west 12 perches to a post; thence north 80 degrees west eleven and five tenths perches to a post; thence south 35 and ¼ degrees west 18.2 perches to a post; thence north 59 degrees west 34 perches to a post; thence south 31 and ¼ degrees west 16.6 perches to a post; thence north 11 and ¾ degrees east 11 perches to a post; thence north 41 and ¾ degrees west 16.4 perches to the southwest corner of the tract of land assigned to Mathias Otto in a partition proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, resulting in equity; thence north 29 and one half degrees east 15.5 perches to a post, being the southeast corner of said M. Otto's lands; thence south one degree e at 35.1 perches to the place of beginning, containing 37.7 acres of land, be the same more or less. The said lots owned by the Nilus Crossmyre Estate and is older and in good condition for farming purposes. This land is probably in the line of development from the Ormsby field, being in the forty-degree line from Ormsby extending into the Allegany field, and is only about three miles from the Ormsby field. Terms of sale: One half cash on confirmation of sale and the balance with interest, in one year, and to be secured by a judgment bond and mortgage on the premises.

F. E. BALDWIN, Administrator d. b. n. of the Estate of Nilus Crossmyre, deceased.

Smethport, Pa., April 20, 1894.

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F. E. BALDWIN, Administrator,
of the Estate of Ralph Crossmyre, deceased.

Smethport, Pa., April 20, 1894.

Mr. James E. Bond
Philadelphia, Pa.

Muscular Rheumatism

Sciatica and the Piles Adds to the Sufferer's Misery

Four Bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla Effects a Wonderful Cure.

"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.:

"Gentlemen: As a result of the memorable blizzard of March, 1888, I contracted muscular rheumatism; at that time I was engaged on a job of steamfitting in Plainfield, N. J., and it was necessary for me to wade through the snow to the building, a new residence, in which we were working. For eighteen months afterwards I was laid up with muscular rheumatism and sciatica. I then joined my son-in-law in Denver, Col., where was engaged in steamfitting and engineering, and where I commenced to take Hood's Sarsaparilla for my rheumatism. It cured me not only of the rheumatism and sciatica, but also of outward piles, from which for thirty-three years I had suffered.

A Thousand Deaths.

Previous to going to Denver I visited the University of Pennsylvania to be operated upon. The doctor pronounced my case elongation of the bowels and the worst he ever saw. He refused to perform an operation, saying that after having suffered so many years it was not worth while that I should die at that late day from the effects of the knife, and die I would if he used it.

No Man Can Conceive

what I suffered for thirty-three years. I tried all sorts of remedies and treatments, often without the slightest relief. Four bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla not only relieved, but cured, both the piles and rheumatism. The

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

only trace of rheumatism which I feel now is a little stiffness when the weather changes, and as I will be 73 years old in August that is but incidental to my age. This is a simple statement of facts." JAMES E. BOND, 209 West Norris Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, constipation, biliousness, jaundice, sick headache, indigestion.

LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

Petitions and applications for license for Hotels, Eating Houses, Wholesale or Retail Liquor Dealers with or without other goods, and Brokers, at the June Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for McKean county, Pa., to be held at Smethport, May 14th, A. D. 1894.

HOTEL LICENSES.

Bradford City, First Ward.

Morris Herrs, Black Bear Hotel, Nos. 8, 10, 12 and 14 Pine street. Residence same.

F. P. Wagner, Park House, Nos. 84 and 86 Mechanic street. Residence same.

J. C. Fox, as James Hotel, Mechanic street, at the head of Main street. Residence same.

Edwin L. Barker, Industry Hotel, Nos. 17 and 19 Davis street. Residence same.

T. F. Hurley, Gilell House, corner Main and Davis streets. Residence same.

T. F. Connelly, Connelly Hotel, No. 95 Mechanic street. Residence same.

F. McNamara, Derry House, Nos. 10 and 12 Webster street. Residence same.

Dibo Gash, 101 City House, Nos. 104, 106 and the south side of Main street. Residence same.

Fred Becker, Union House, Nos. 126 and 128 South side of Main street. Residence same.

H. H. Grange and M. J. Kelly, Pierce House, Nos. 107 and 109 North side of Main street. Residence same.

A. J. Hurley, Bay State Hotel, Nos. 72 and 74 Main street. Residence same.

James H. Burns, Washington House, Nos. 6 and 8 Webster street. Residence same.

Thomas McDonald and W. K. Urquhart, Wilcox Hotel, No. 118 Main street. Residence same.

D. Burg, Henderson Hotel, North east corner Webster and Corydon streets. Residence same.

Mary McIlvain, Union House, Nos. 29 and 41 Main street. Residence same.

F. F. Metcalfe, Bradford House, No. 97 Main street. Residence same.

Bradford City, Third Ward.

Eugene Peake, Akin House, Nos. 108 and 110 Washington street. Residence same.

Bradford City, Fifth Ward.

P. H. Gallagher and William Devine, Hotel Rochester, Nos. 153, 157 and 159 Main street. Residence same.

Bradford City, Sixth Ward.

Louis Artzy and Phillip S. Artzy, American House, south east corner of Kendall and Limestone streets. Residence same.

Corydon Township.

Byron D. Bone, Willow Creek Hotel, situate on Main road from Bradford to Corydon village. Residence same.

Eldred Borough.

James McKelvie, St. Elmo Hotel, south corner of Main and Depot streets. Residence same.

Foster Township.

D. W. Wright, Seager House, Corner of Bradford and Smethport road and plank road, Rew City. Residence same.

Kane Borough, First Ward.

Harvey H. Gibson, Kane House, West side of Fraley street. Residence same.

John Fleming, Fleming Hotel, West side of Fraley street. Residence same.

Rick Donovan, Hotel La Monk, West side of Fraley street. Residence same.

Kane Borough, Second Ward.

John Shea, St. Elmo, corner Fraley and Haines streets. Residence same.

B. F. Burgess, Centennial House, East side of Fraley street. Residence same.

Lafayette Township.

John O'Connor, Davis House, Mt. Alton. Residence same.

C. J. Mallozer and Stephen Conlon, Butts House, Mt. Alton. Residence same.

Michael Woods, Bradford House, Lewis Run. Residence same.

Mount Jewett Borough.

E. C. Cleveland, Brewer source, South side of Big Level road. Residence same.

Mrs. Emelia Hamden House, South side of Main street. Residence same.

E. W. Long, Commercial Hotel, South side of Main street. Residence same.

Otto Township.

J. R. Gooderough, Duke House, West side of Main street in Duke Centre Village. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

Stephen C. Hartwell, Hartwell House, South side of Main street. Residence same.

Loren C. Horton, Port Allegany House, corner of Main and Mill streets. Residence same.

Smethport Borough.

John C. Breedman, Grand Central Hotel, south side of Main street. Residence same.

Alfred E. Reece, Reece House, South side of Water street. Residence same.

Daniel Bacon, Chautauqua House, North side of Water street. Residence same.

H. F. Wright, Wright House, corner of Main and Mechanic streets. Residence same.

Sergeant Township.

Hugh A. Boyd and John L. Smith, Boyer House, at Boyer. Residence same.

EATING HOUSE OR RESTAURANT LICENSES.

Bradford City, Sixth Ward.

Edward Ryan, No. 411 E. Main street, (formerly Kendall). Residence same.

Lafayette Township.

William L. Foster, Foster House, in village of Lewis Run. Residence same.

Port Allegany Borough.

A. J. Connolly, European Hotel and Restaurant, West side of Pearl street. Residence same.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL LICENSES—WITH OR WITHOUT OTHER GOODS.

Bradford City, First Ward.

Louis Marck, No. 122 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

W. K. Collins and Frank J. Collins, No. 91 Main street. Residence N. K. Collins 37 Corydon street, Frank J. Collins, Bradford City, Pa.

M. M. Fiegen, No. 100 Mechanic street. Residence 23 Kendall street.

A. M. Mayer and M. Rolland, No. 111 Main street. Residence Brazil 781 via Ny.

Rear Freihmark, No. 84 Main street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

LICENSE TO BOTTLE AND VEND MALT AND BREWED LIQUORS.

Bradford City, First Ward.

J. H. Lyons and J. F. Campbell, No. 21 Barbour street. Residence Bradford City, Pa.

Bradford City, Fourth Ward.

Patrick H. Pattit, No. 56 Mechanic street, known as Independent Bottling Works Building. Residence No. 53 Summer street, Bradford City, Pa.

N. R. Woolsmury, No. 37 Mechanic street, corner Railroad. Residence 39 Mechanic street, Bradford City, Pa.

Eldred Borough.

Fred Simon and Earl Dorr, West side of Railroad street. Residence Eldred Borough, Pa.

All licenses must be lifted within fifteen days after the same are granted or they will be void.

GEORGE W. MITCHELL, Clerk.

Smethport, Pa., April 23th, 1894.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF JOHN T. IRVIN, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration on the Estate of John T. Irvin, late of Duke Centre, Otto township, McKean county, Penn'a, deceased, have been granted to F. E. Baldwin residing in Smethport, said county, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and all those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

F. E. BALDWIN, Administrator.

April 27, 1894. 6t

HOOD'S Sarsaparilla wins its way into the confidence of the people by the good it is doing. Fair trials guarantee permanent CURES.

B. H. & C.

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 25, 1894.

How About The Homes?

Everybody doesn't know yet that we are House-furnishers. More of you are finding it out every year and the business grows continually.

Remember this one thing—present prices are the lowest we have ever known, on things of every sort for the home.

For instance—a solid oak *Rocking Chair*, well made in every particular, at *one dollar*. No wonder we sold over a thousand in one week.

The principal interest is *Carpets* All the wanted kinds are here, including

—New Ingrains
—New Tapestries
—New Brussels
—New Moquettes
—New Velvets
—New Miltons
—New Axminsters.

We show over three hundred different styles in Ingrains alone! That means we do the biggest Carpet business of any store between New York and Chicago.

That isn't all. There are other kinds of *floor coverings* beside Carpets. Whatever you want in—

—Oilcloths —Linoleums
—Fine Rugs —Mattings

can be had here for less than anywhere. Our prices are always low. Our values are always good.

Framed Pictures as low as fifty cents. Hundreds of handsome engravings, photos and water-colors for about what the frame costs ordinarily. We want you to see them.

Everything you can possibly need in *Curtains and Draperies*. We buy direct from the makers at home and abroad, and sell as we buy. You can judge the store by lace curtains as well as anything. —

Nobody can afford to furnish a house or refurnish a single room without visiting this store. We devote three large floors to Carpets Upholsteries and general furnishings.

Barnes, Hengerer & Co

Easter Millinery
AND
DRESS-GOODS OPENING

—ON—

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
March 23d and 24th, 1894.

We now have on our counters and shelves a full line of

Millinery and Dress Goods.

The Hats and Bonnets are perfect gems of loveliness and must be seen to be appreciated. Following is a list of some of the many Bargains which we are offering at this season

Elegant half-wool Dress Goods, all new Spring Shades, in dress patterns of 10 yards each, $1.00
Best American Indigo Calico, 5
Fruit of the Loom and Lonsdale Muslin, 8c
Light colored Calico Prints, 4c
All-wool Serges and Henriettas, former price 50c, now 40c
Ribbed Vests for Ladies and Children, 5c

We also have on hand a beautiful line of Lace Curtains which we are disposing of at very low figures.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

Watches & Clocks

promptly repaired in a workmanlike manner.

All work guaranteed or money refunded.

Located in the cigar store of Emil Thamm, on Main street, Smethport,

W. H. Grubmine.

BLACKSMITHING!

The subscriber has purchased the blacksmith shop recently occupied by Charles Krieger, on Mechanic street, near Gifford's saw-mill, where he is prepared to do first-class blacksmithing, including

HORSESHOEING.

Satisfaction guaranteed. He also manufactures

SLEIGHS.

Can Cure All Ordinary Lameness in Horse's Feet and Legs.

CHAS. W. LILGENDAHL.

Smethport, Aug. 6th, '93.

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UNDERSELL
ALL.

Pillsbury's best, per sack,	$1.35
Oil City No. 1 Feed,	1.15
Onion setts, best, per qt.	.15
Eggs, per dozen,	.15
No. 1 Potatoes,	.40
Crackers, A No. 1, 5 lbs. for	.25

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To the 25 per centers (CASH). No difference whether CASH or CREDIT.

DEAL where you can DEAL THE CHEAPEST!

FRESH FISH IN SEASON

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Goods promptly delivered to all customers.

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EAST SMETHPORT, PA.

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THE FASHIONABLE TAILOR

CUTS OF LATEST STYLES.

Free for the Inspection of Customers.

Neatest of Fits Guaranteed.

GIVE ME A TRIAL.

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CHARLES LEMMLER

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CARRIES A FINE STOCK OF

Harnesses, Trunks - - - and Traveling Bags,

EQUAL TO ANY IN THE MARKET.

WHIPS IN EVERY STYLE.

ALSO LAP DUSTERS.

The Celebrated Stock Food and Hoof Dressing.

EVERYTHING OF THE FINEST WORKMANSHIP AND LATEST STYLES.

GIVE ME A CALL,

And if I can't suit you, you can not be suited anywhere.

LUMBER YARD

Holmes & Gilfillan,

Office, Colegrove Block. HOO-HOO.

SMETHPORT, PENN'A.

All kinds of Building Material,

HEMLOCK & WASHINGTON RED CEDAR SHINGLES.

FLOORING, SIDING, ETC.

We have also made arrangements with the Smethport Extract and Lumber Company to take charge of their retail department. Call or write us for prices

The Band Brake

Which made a great popular success last season, is the only perfect working hub brake ever invented, and is again attached to Models 35 and 36, 1894.

Columbia Bicycles.

It makes wheeling safe, because it holds on any grade, is quickly applied, and throws off readily. Its connection is out of the way, takes up no room, and makes no increase in weight over the old style. This attachment is alone sufficient to make a Columbia preferable to any other wheel.

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SMETHPORT, PA. Agent.

Call for a catalogue.

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Next door to Gallup's Store, Main St.

Shaving and Hair-Dressing

In the latest style of art.

None but first-class workmen employed.

Alfred Sturdveint, Surgeon Chiropodist. Corns removed in a few minutes without pain or soreness. Also treatment for Bunions and ingrowing nails.

BATH ROOMS ATTACHED.

V. KLAPPENBACH,

MERCHANT -:- TAILOR,

Opposite Billiard Room,

Main Street, Smethport, Pa.,

Keeps an assortment of English and French Goods on hand from which to select. Suits will be made up in the latest and most approved styles, and entire satisfaction guaranteed.

Boys' suits to order, from $3.50 to $5 and up, including extra pair pants. Gents' fine Suits from $12 to $17 and up. Gents' fine Pants to order for $6.50 and up. Give me a call and select your goods and leave your measure.

V. Klappenbach.

BARGAIN

McKean County Miner.

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second class mail matter.

Smethport, Pa., April 27, 1894.

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If you do not get the paper regularly and in good order, please notify the publisher at once. It is the desire of every man's paper to please its subscribers, and the publisher will be glad to have you call his attention to any failure on his part to do so.

Remember that for $1.50 we send the MINER and Philadelphia Weekly Press one year.

New Advertisements This Week.

M. L. Armstrong, bicycle
Olean Home Journal Bazaar
Endeavor Home Exchange
Ransom, Hesgerter & Co.
Bell Brothers
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H. W. Marcus

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—Send good men for delegates.

—County convention next Tuesday.

—Applications for license appear this week.

—Republican primaries to-morrow night.

—Be sure to pick out the best men for Representative.

—The Odd Fellows had a gala day at Bradford yesterday.

—Call at the MINER office next Tuesday—convention day.

—Lost, strayed or stolen—our Port Allegany correspondent.

—The Clermont Maccabees will give a dance to-night at that place.

—S. J. Gifford has purchased a fine *swinger bicycle for his daughter.*

—Coroner Sheesley is fast forging to the front as a candidate for Coroner.

—A full report of the county convention will appear in our next issue.

—The walk and platform in front of the Grand Central are being repaired.

—A new sidewalk has been built front of the school property on King street.

—The musical clerk of the lawnmower is heard the ugliest the land."

—About sixty-five passengers boarded the special train to Bradford, Thursday.

—Subscribe for the MINER, the official organ of the Republican party of McKean county.

—A communication from the Clarion school last week reached us after we had gone to press.

—Charles Lemmler has a new advertisement in this issue. Call on him for anything in his line.

—Judge Brownell pleasantly passes the time away watching his roosters battle for the championship.

—It is said that a man who always speaks the truth has more enemies than the most infernal liar ever born.

—Rather a slim attendance at the different churches last Sunday on account of the inclemency of the weather.

—Bert Bard caught a trout in a stream here, last Wednesday, that weighed a trifle over one pound and one ounce.

—The Sunday School Convention of the Allegany River Baptist Association is to meet at Coudersport in June next.

—What is the matter with the narrow gauge road? It must be they run too fast as several get sea sick on their travels.

—F. C. Pierce received a very fine ladies bicycle, Tuesday night, for one of his lady customers. Mrs. John Forest is the fortunate lady.

—We hope every Republican will attend the caucus Saturday night. If they do they will have no reason to kick if the right delegates are not chosen.

—Comrade Wright is having his dining room neatly cleaned. The paper was smoky and by a new preparation the smoke and grime is quickly removed.

—Rick Donovan, of Kane, may have been able to sleep Gilbert, but when he attempted to eat him, he has our sympathy. It would be a tough morsel for anyone to digest.

—Every Republican in this county should be a reader of the MINER. If your Republican neighbor don't read it, get him to subscribe during the campaign just opening, anyhow.

—Elias Anderson, of Ormsby, is the first subscriber to the MINER from that busy place since the postoffice was established. We hope to secure many more subscribers in that section.

—Four of our fair school marms paid a visit to Bradford on Saturday, and ever since we have heard fearful groans coming over the hills from the disconsolate young men of Bradford they left behind on their return home.

—C. M. Colegrove started the masons at work on the repairs of his house Wednesday morning. Mr. C. is going to build on an addition and make quite extensive improvements on his property even if times are hard.

—How about a board of trade? In order build up our town and help its growth, it would be a good idea to start a board of trade and induce some lively interest to locate here and give employment to the many idle men.

—Our popular District Attorney, Sheridan Gorton, slept with his clothes on most of the nights last week. He purchased so freely of the trout his boys caught that the bones pricked through and he could not remove his clothes.

—We pity the merchant who isn't ambitious to sell more goods this year than he did last year. His best and most efficient aid to do this is the newspaper.—You can talk to *more people* through its columns and for less money than by any other method.

—Three boys living at Newbery, near Williamsport, were poisoned last week by eating wild parsnips. One of the boys had died, but hopes are entertained that the other two will recover. Children cannot be too careful about eating the wild parsnip as it is very dangerous.

—The first number of the Silver Lake *Herald* is out, containing the program for the coming season. A number of these have been sent to the pastor of the Methodist church for free distribution. Anyone desiring information respecting Silver Lake Assembly will find it in these papers.

—This week we send out a number of sample copies in the country. We ask any one receiving the MINER to look it over, and if it suits them, please send us an order for the paper. There is a very interesting story just started, called "The Yankee in Gray," which alone is worth the price of the paper.

—The Ridgway *Advocate* came to our table last week printed in two languages. We welcome you to our sanctum and wish you success as you have a great work to perform. You will be the mouthpiece of the Swedes in this section, and your influence properly used will be a power for good. Which is in the cause of Republicanism and good government.

—The Epworth League will produce the "Milk Maids' Convention," on Monday evening, April 30th, in the Opera House. The program will be opened by the Milk Maids' Drill, by a company of twenty-four young ladies in costume. This drill alone is worth the price of admission, to say nothing of the convention which follows. Admission 25 cts.; children 15 cents.

—J. M. McElroy, candidate for Representative, says he does not like the Potter county people. He could not get one of them to agree to vote for him at the caucus. "Mac," we hardly think your judgment fair, as they are generally taken with the good looks and gentlemanly appearance of a candidate, and you certainly ought to have captured the whole gang on those grounds.

—The Knights of the Maccabees one year ago had a membership of 107,000. It now has over 145,000. It has now become continental in its character, not only doing business in all the health) nests of our own country, but across the line on the north, throughout the Canadian provinces, its greatest operations now being through the very centre of the continent. We are glad to note the growth and development of this fraternal insurance order.

—We regret very much that our able and energetic foreman, Frank D. Howlett will leave us on the first of the month. In the three months that he has been with us we have found him a gentleman in *every* sense of the word, pleasant and obliging, and a thorough printer, well equipped with a knowledge of the art, to any or all of its various branches. But as he will secure a better position, it will be his gain and our loss. We wish him success wherever he goes.

—Parents should be careful about letting children jump the *rope*. Hardly a week passes that we do not read about some bright little child skipping the rope many times, and the next we hear is the little one has skipped over the river. There are plenty of other amusements for children that are not so dangerous. Parents, take warning; if you see your child with a rope take it away and destroy it. Better be severe and save your child than to be lenient and lose the dear one.

—"A circus trick," produced by a dose of Smethport whiskey, one day last week caused the breaking of the nose of a man named Maxwell on the Main street of the town of which Burt Olsen and Joe Gilbert are printing a Republican newspaper.—*Potter Enterprise.* We own the corn, Brother B. If we had known that Maxwell had such a quantity to dispose of, we would have lent a helping hand and saved him a broken nose. You know printers are generally kind on such occasions, see?

—A. G. Crawford, of Warren, Pa., gave an organ recital at St. Luke's church on Tuesday night. A large audience was gathered at the church, and Mr. Crawford's music continued, those who attended that he was well acquainted with the proper manner of handling the pipe organ. He played eight numbers, and a better pleased audience would be hard to find than that which listened to the beautiful strains that issued from the organ that night. All we can say is that the music was simply grand.

—Complaint has been lodged with the *Democrat* that there is a premises near the Mechanic street iron bridge that "smells to heaven"—in fact that there is something rotten in Denmark—or rather in Italy. Possibly this may be a case where the board of health could exercise their prerogative to good advantage.—*McKean Democrat.* Bro. Lindsley had better make application to court, and have a bath guard appointed. But you are right, Bro. L. If there are such places, they ought to be exposed and cleaned out.

—Francis Labadie and Hattie Rowell, two old-time favorites here, will again appear in the opera house, for the first time in five years, on Wednesday evening next, in a gorgeous production of the electrical spectacular drama, "Faust." This company has been meeting with great success everywhere, and Smethport theater-goers are assured a first-class entertainment. The company carries special scenery and the costumes are new. "Faust" has never before been presented in Smethport. Prices 25c., 35c. and 50c. Reserved seats are now on sale at H. C. Wells' drug store.

—A representative of the MINER visited the bustling town of Mt. Jewett last Saturday, and found that the people were all busy making improvements; some were engaged in laying walks, others in building new houses and fixing up generally. The new brick hotel, the Commercial House, is now running and is a credit to the proprietor, E. W. Long. Two new brick stores will be built this spring by B. F. Applestein and Mellander & Anderson. There are several fine business blocks in the town. Before leaving the town we called at the *Herald* office and had a short visit with Brother Northrop, whom we found head over heels to work. We also visited the offices of Attorney Rogers and Dr. Burdick, which are pleasantly located over the bank. There is every evidence of prosperity manifested at Mt. Jewett and we trust at some future time to be able to speak more at length of its business enterprises and its facilities for being a booming town.

—Monday morning Mr. Hayden, in the employ of Bloodsworth & Co., of Olean, came to the Grand Central, in this town, and rented a room for the display of shoe footwear. He had several callers during the day, and took some orders to ship the goods from Olean on his return home. On his way to the train, Tuesday morning, Mr Black hailed him and took him before Mayor Hopkins. On Mr. Hayden informing the mayor that he did not know there was an ordinance against his soliciting orders for goods, he agreed to cancel all the orders he had taken, and on the promise the mayor let him go, with the warning that if he filled the orders and was ever caught in Smethport again he would be arrested and fined. The gentleman could have avoided all trouble by simply paying one dollar into the borough fund. He should certainly have made some inquiry into the borough laws before commencing business. Our officials are deserving of commendation for the faithful discharge of their duties.

List of Letters

remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending April 21, 1894:

Engel, William — Freeman, D. E.
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Parsons, August

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

W. F. WALSH, Postmaster.

I have received my new spring stock of carpets in the latest designs and patterns Prices to suit the times. Most beautiful baby carriages in the market.

JOHN M. REILLY

For Sale or Exchange.

A good *Brunswick & Balke* billiard table, J. V. BROWN.

Duke Center, Pa.—16-6t.

SHORT AND CONCISE.

We would draw it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Victor Digel is on the sick list.

M. Sehen, of Bradford, was in town on on Tuesday.

F. G. Lindholm returned Monday night from Sweden.

Geo. Griffiths, of Kane, was in town Monday night.

N. D. Ramer is suffering from a severe attack of quinsy.

P. A. Roberts, of Bradford, was in town Wednesday.

C. L. Griffin, of Bradford, came over to the hub Wednesday.

Frank Smith, of Clearfield, was at the hub during the week.

Attorney Oviatt was an early passenger for Bradford Thursday.

S. S. Bullis, of Olean, was busy about the court house Wednesday.

Miss Mary Bowers was an early passenger for Bradford Tuesday.

Frank Vickery, who is sick at his father's house, is on the gain.

F. M. Webster, civil engineer of Bradford, made us a pleasant call last Friday.

Judge A. G. Olmsted and Hon. Henry Hamilla went to Buffalo Tuesday morning.

J. R. Zook, of Bradford, visited his friend, Breneman of the Central, Wednesday.

John E. Chadwick, of Bradford, spent a few days here, returning home on Wednesday.

J. R. Watts, of Bradford, partook of the bill of fare at the Grand Central on Monday.

W. I. Quinn, wife and daughter, of Quinton, were at the Grand Central Tuesday.

J. W. McCarty and John Hannon, of Johnsonburg, were in town a few days this week.

Mike Dunn, of Sweden Valley, visited his many friends in town during the week, but as usual he was in a hurry.

J. T. Lindsley, of Corning, N. Y., a brother of the editor of the *Democrat*, was here a few days this week.

E. B. Dolley, of Port Allegany, was on our streets last Monday, looking as vigorous and healthy as though he was but forty years old.

J. H. Tate boarded the Bradford train Tuesday morning. He will evidently wind up in Bradford on Thursday, the Odd Fellows' anniversary.

John Shaller, Clermont, W. D Manning, Rew City, G. W. Morse and E. M. Clark, Bradford, were guests at the Wright House on Monday.

Judge Morrison, Sheridan Gorton, W. B Clarke, Chas Latham and wife, S. E. Bell and wife, E. L. Keenan and Sheriff Walker boarded the early train for Bradford on Thursday.

Mrs. H. S. Rogers, of Mt. Jewett, presided at the grand organ in St. Luke's church last Sunday. It was a rare treat to listen to the tones of the instrument as produced by such a master hand.

P. L. Webster, one of Bradford's most prosperous citizens, called last week. Having some of the needful to spare, he kindly assisted us to the amount of a year's subscription. We were pleased to meet the gentleman, and hope to get better acquainted, ere long.

Justice of the Peace W. E. Wilson, of Colefille, the possessor of several oil wells, and an all-around good fellow, called last Friday and renewed his friendship to the MINER. He informs us that he will be a candidate for delegate to the county convention from Keating No. 2, in favor of Mr. North for representative, of whom he spoke in the highest terms. Call again Mr. W.

A Southern Trip.

Mr. J. J. Newman arrived home last Saturday from a six weeks' visit in the southern states. We enjoyed a rich treat last Sunday listening to his vivid description of the bright southland. In company with James L. Knox, of Coudersport, he first went to Florida and took in the beautiful scenery of that State, lounging in its palatial hotels, smoking the finest cigars, enjoying the perfume of the loveliest flowers and basking in the love-light of the bright southern belles, they lingered there in the lap of luxurious ease until they became tired, and then bid themselves across country into Mississippi. There they spent two weeks in the magnificient pine forest of that State, where thousands upon thousands of acres of pine timber, without any undergrowth except rich grass, lies unbroken. Mr. Newman said the sight was enough to set a northern lumberman wild —immense pine trees 90 to 100 feet to the first limb.

When their inspection of the forest was finished, a trip to New Orleans was the next in order, but the bright eyes of the Louisiana Creoles were too much for them —gave them, as it were, palpitation of the heart—and they soon left. Taking a northeasterly course they brought up at Richmond, and spent several days viewing the battle grounds around Virginia's old capitol and took in the State house with all its valuable relics. From there they went to Charlottesville and Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, where they had another pleasant experience wandering around the grounds of the founder of the Declaration of Independence, whose memory is dear to the heart of every American citizen; from there to Fredricksburg and Washington. Of course Knox had to shake hands with Cleveland, or at least he ought to, as a good Democrat.

Mr. Newman is so much in love with the sunny south that we are liable to lose his pleasant company very soon. They traveled over 5000 miles by rail.

Pennsylvania State College.

We have recently received the annual catalogue of the Pennsylvania State College, which is an interesting publication of about 200 pages. The institution exists under appropriations made by the national government and liberal grants of this Commonwealth. The catalogue shows a prosperous year and a very remarkable growth during the past few years along industrial lines. There are 316 students in attendance this year. Electrical engineering attracts the largest number of students. There are eleven different courses, among which we note mechanical engineering, chemistry, biology, physics and agriculture. There are forty-one instructors. Examinations for entrance are announced to be held in the leading cities of the State about August 27th.

A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs, and colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough medicine, one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of throat, chest and lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at F. E. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong's Drug Store. Large bottles 50c. and $1.00.

A Trip to Kane.

Last week Friday we took a trip to the thriving town of Kane for the purpose of getting acquainted with the enterprising citizens of the place. The day turned out to be a rainy one, and we did not meet as many as we anticipated. The first man we met was Dick Donovan, the popular proprietor of the Hotel Lamont. We asked him if he could sleep and eat us during our stay in town. He sized up our grip for a moment, and then with a philanthropic glance at our hungry countenances, bade us welcome. This house is one of the finest fashioned and furnished hotels in this whole section of country, and being only a few steps from the railroad station, is liberally patronized by the traveling public.

The next person we met was his honor, Esquire Lemuel Davis, who introduced us to several of the prominent business men near his office, and while talking with them, we were accosted by Constable Looker, who was taking subscriptions for the heathen, and being of a missionary temperament, we invested a quarter and went on our way rejoicing.

We were disappointed in calling at the office of Attorney Neil C. MacEwen to find the gentleman out of town. We learn he has a good business and is quite a popular young man in the town.

Dr. J. V. Anderson, the popular dentist, is another whom we met, but his professional duties kept him so busy that our visit with him was necessarily brief.

We then hied our way to the *Republican office*, where we spent an hour looking over Col. Rogers' office, which is one of the most complete printing outfits in this county, most everything in the mechanical part having a new appearance, and having a general look of prosperity.

Across the street from the *Republican* office is situated the popular Kane House, of which Harry Corson is the proprietor. This house is lit throughout with electric lights from a private plant in the rear of the building, with a large arc light in front. Mr. Corson, being an electrician, manages the electric plant himself. Through the efforts of the above gentleman, the Postal Telegraph Co. have decided to open an office in his hotel, which will be connected with the various business places by a private telephone line.

The St. Elmo Hotel is located nearly opposite the Kane House and is presided over by Mr. John Shea, whom we had the pleasure of meeting.

One of the prettiest drug stores we have seen in some time is the one belonging to Gillis Brothers. It is painted white and trimmed with gold paint. We understand they have a very fine trade. Kane has also an unusual number of fine business places, all having a prosperous appearance, among which we note the Boston Store, of which A. B. Cohn is the proprietor; J. H. Grant, hardware; B. F. McConnell, dry goods; J. W. Griffith & Co., drugs, and the Smith & Welker Hardware Co., beside many others which space will not admit of mention at this time.

Just before supper we called at the *Leader* office, where we had a very pleasant visit with Miss Malone, the proprietor. This office is well equipped and doing a successful business, and the paper is a bright, newsy sheet.

After supper we met Coroner Slocum and Mr. C. E. Horton, of Bradford, with whom we spent several very pleasant hours. Mr. Horton has an office in Bradford, where he does a successful business for the merchant, tailoring house of Browning, King & Co., of New York, and Mr. Slocum was there on insurance business besides getting assurances of his friends in his efforts for re-nomination.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. John Flemming, the proprietor of the hotel bearing his name. He is located in the centre of the business part of the town, and is enjoying his share of the hotel trade.

In the evening the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainman gave their first annual entertainment at the opera house, which was the event of the season. It was largely attended, and the floor was occupied to its fullest capacity during the entire evening. The music was the best, and a fine supper was spread at the Thomson House, which did credit to the efforts of the proprietor, C. H. Kemp.

Three new industries have been secured for Kane through the efforts of the efficient board of trade. Ground was broken for a wooden ware factory last week, and work will soon commence on the plant to be erected by the Chautauqua Roller Desk Co. Dr. Thomas L. Kane and A. P. Hoey went to Pittsburg last week to act for the board of trade and make the final arrangements for a new glass factory.

If nothing interferes, Kane will soon be one of the largest towns in the county, and with the enterprise they manifest, they should be rewarded with abundant prosperity. The MINER extends congratulations to Kane in its outlook for the future.

Four Big Successes.

Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, each bottle guaranteed—Electric Bitters, the Great remedy for Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are a perfect pill. All these remedies are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them and the dealer whose name is attached herewith will be glad to tell you more of them. Sold by F. E. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong's drug store.

Don't You Know

That Holmes & Gilfillan have greatly reduced prices on lumber, and are leaders for filling orders promptly; keep everything in stock—lumber, lath, shingles, flooring, sash, doors and mouldings, and are prepared to furnish anything in the building line. Give them a call.

To Those About to Build.

All persons about to build should call on or write to H. A. Button, architect and builder, Coudersport, Pa. Plans and specifications made on short notice. The best of references given.

For Sale.

The property known as the A. Diehl restaurant at Farmers' Valley. For terms, etc., apply to N. F. Ferris, Farmers' Valley, Pa. 17-4t

Our new designs in furniture is unsurpassed in this section. Call and try our easy rockers and comfortable sitters. Bedroom sets of the finest oak and everything needed to house furnishing as cheap as can be purchased anywhere. We will not be undersold. Undertaking a specialty. SPECHT & SASS.

I am still headquarters for all kinds of roofing. The Medal Brand Wire Edge takes the lead.
14-13t C. K. SARTWELL.

I hereby offer my farm of 100 acres in Corydon township for sale, or exchange for city property in Bradford.
H. F. BUNDY.

It's all the same, a slight cold, congested lungs or severe cough. One minute cough cure banishes them. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, carefully prepared from the best ingredients. 25c.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

FARMERS' VALLEY.

Alex. Donnelly had the misfortune to have his right arm dislocated at the shoulder, while leading a colt to water. Dr. McCoy was summoned at once and relieved the sufferer.

There will be an ice cream festival held at the Curtis school, Monday evening, April 30th. All are invited to attend.

The dance and sugar party held at Wm. Brockhaus's was well attended, and a highly enjoyable time is announced.

W. H. Swart, who has been visiting relatives in New York, returned home on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Otto, of Crosby, were visiting friends, in this place, a few days last week.

Mrs. B. J. Still, who has been on the sick list for some time, is slowly recovering.

The boys of this place are busily engaged in fishing and fighting nowadays.

A. Diehl, of Warren, visited friends in this place a few days last week.

B. T. Ferris was calling on friends in this place a few days last week.

M. W. Hemkein had business in Bradford one day last week.

William Burgess is happy again. It's a boy this time.

ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.

Miss Crawford, state organizer of the Y. W. C. T. U., gave a lecture on temperance, at this place, Monday evening, which was well attended. After the lecture about fifteen of the young people signed the pledge and organized a Y's Union, with Miss Esther Swarts as president; Miss Edith Mosier, vice president; Miss Edna Brunson, corresponding secretary; Miss Winifred Roeder, recording secretary; Miss Millie Taylor, treasurer. Will meet next Tuesday evening.

The United Brethren held their quarterly meeting, at the Union church at this place, Saturday and Sunday of last week. Rev. Hull, of Sugar Grove, presided, but on account of the rain and mud there was a small attendance.

The school children and young people are busy preparing for an entertainment to be given by the school, for the monument fund.

There is to be a young people's prayer meeting at the church, next Sunday evening. All are invited to attend.

Messrs. W. F. Beckwith, Henry Sanders and H. W. Roeder, were in Olean, on Tuesday of this week.

Myrtle Snell, of this place, has pneumonia and is under the care of Dr. John Clark, of Smethport.

I. Smyth, of Rixford, is in this place, at this writing, leasing land for a well in Dugel Hollow.

Mrs. Will Young, of Smethport, was visiting friends and relatives of this place recently.

Rev. Wire and wife, of Duke Centre, assisted at the quarterly meeting at this place.

Charley Taylor and wife, of Simpson, visited this place last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Myrtle Wright, of Eldred, is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. P. Beckwith.

KANE.

Dr. Thomas L. Kane, Jr., and attorney A. P. Hoey, who composed the committee sent to Pittsburg by the citizens of Kane, to investigate the financial standing of the projectors of the Flint Glass Works, seemed to have a very clear idea of their duties, judging from their reports at the Board of Trade meeting, Monday evening. Conditions have changed since the visitors from Pittsburg met the citizens of Kane, on the 11th inst. The report of the committee, to say the least, is unfavorable; however, it was safe, prudent and wise to send them on the mission, instead of closing the contract with parties that seem to be irresponsible financially. It is now highly probable that the privileges offered by the citizens of Kane will be accepted by others, and an almost criminal folly averted.

William Fitzpatrick, a P. & E. fireman in Kane yard, injured his knee by a fall, while in line of duty, several years ago, and has been a sufferer from it nearly all the time since, being unit for duty. Lately he has suffered intensely from it. Two weeks ago he went to Jefferson hospital, Philadelphia, where it was found that the bone was badly decayed and that amputation was the only relief. The operation was performed the first of last week and hopes are had for his recovery.

"Rick" came very near breaking a slate when he nominated Col. Rogers for first vice president of the Board of Trade, the other evening. Some people's perception of things are very fine, at times.

A meeting of the Board of Trade was held Monday evening. A new set of officers were elected, with the exception of Joshua Davis, who was re-elected president for the ensuing year.

Miss M. J. Hayes returned on Thursday from the Buffalo University of Medicine. She will act as surgical assistant at the Woodside Sanitarium, during her vacation.

Mrs. J. P. Gustafson, aged 65 years, died at the home of her husband, on the Smethport road, last Friday, of peritonitis.

Esquire C. V. Gillis, wife, and daughter Annie, returned Saturday from an eight weeks' sojourn in Florida.

Joshua Davis and family are moving into their splendid new residence on View Knoll, this week.

T. J. Gilbert, of the MINER, made a day and a half stop in Kane, last week.

R. E. Looker had business in Smethport on Monday.

MT. ALTON.

The dance, last Friday evening, was not as largely attended as it would have been had the weather been better, but all had a fine time. The Mt. Jewett band furnished the music, which was pronounced excellent. Con. Mahoney is receiving much praise for the good supper the Butts House furnished.

Mr. Stauffer, of Philadelphia, who spent most of the winter here, with his son Charles, has just returned, after a visit of some weeks with a son and daughter at Johnsonburg.

This week we will be reminded again of the time Mt. Alton had no doctor, as Dr. Williamson is called to New York State as an important witness on a murder trial.

Among those on the sick list are found Mrs. John Callahan and Mrs. John Green. Both have a disease much like pneumonia.

Mrs. George Bonner, of Irving Mills, is spending a few days among relatives and friends in this town.

Philip Hafner, of Marvin Creek, accompanied by his son, Leon, visited friends in this place last week.

Mrs. Charles Hile, of DuBois, is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. Aldrich, of this place.

Miss Eliza Quinn, of Bradford, visited among her many friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Estabrook, of Bradford, are guests of W. L. Robison.

Mrs. Ed. Lloyd spent a part of last week with friends in Bradford.

Mrs. Donahue, of Potter county, is visiting relatives here.

Cowrse of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by druggists, price 75c. a bottle.

Not one minute elapses between the taking of One Minute Cough Cure and relief. Why shouldn't people take One Minute Cough Cure? They should. They do. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

Itch on human and horses and all animals cured in 30 minutes by Wolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, druggist, Smethport, Pa.

W. F. Speight issues all kinds of Insurance policies, call on him when in want of any insurance.

Rheumatism is quickly cured by using Arnica & Oil Liniment.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Preparations Are Commencing Early in Pittsburg Next September.

Several hundred of the foremost citizens of Pittsburg and Allegany have organized committees to prepare for the 28th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in Pittsburg during the week beginning September 10th next. This promises to be the largest and most impressive demonstration ever witnessed in western Pennsylvania. Besides as it is now twenty-nine years since the civil war ended, it is not probable that the Union veterans of that struggle will ever again be massed in such vast numbers. Already the Committee on Accommodations has secured free quarters for 40,000 men and applications for these quarters are coming in daily from Posts in every direction. The railroads last year carried 268,000 persons to the Encampment at Indianapolis, and Pittsburg being in a more populous territory, there is a natural expection that this number will be exceeded.

Pittsburg Councils have appropriated $25,000 toward the Encampment Fund and Allegheny Councils $5,000, while the people of the two municipalities are expected to subscribe $75,000 to the end that the affair may be a thorough success.

Court Proceedings.

Thomas McDowell vs. O. A. Smith. Motion to enter judgment on warrant of attorney, over ten years old, granted.

C. M. Ball vs. W. W. Weston et al. Answer to a rule to show cause of action. Rule discharged and ball to dissolve fixed in the sum of $1,000.

City of Bradford vs. C. B. Whitehead. Continued.

same vs. J. B. Fox. Verdict in favor of plaintiff for $280.

same vs. same. Motion for new trial. Rule to show cause granted and leave to file reasons within ten days. Rule returnable next argument court.

Samuel Martin vs. F. W. Drayton and Ella J. Drayton, his wife. Verdict in favor of plaintiff for $94.74.

same vs. same. Motion for new trial. Rule to show cause granted returnable next argument court.

James Wheaton vs. James Doyle. Motion for new trial. Rule to show cause granted, returnable next argument court.

Allie J. Smith, by her next friend, Alonzo Keener, vs. Ansel T. Smith, subpœna in divorce returnable next term.

Frank Willard vs. Nancy Jane Willard. Subpœna in divorce awarded.

J. W. Hayes vs. C. S. Booth. Motion for non pros. granted.

Hamilton Lumber Co. vs. Stengel & Cook. Motion for judgment granted.

E. H. Gibson vs W. H. G. C. and F. J. Hooker. Motion for judgment granted.

Estate of Wm. H. Sampliner, deceased. Report of auditor on petition of H. F. Core, guardian, to sell real estate confirmed and the legal costs and fees of $30 be paid by guardian out of proceeds of sale.

George Henry McKewen adopted by Alonzo Horton.

W. M. & S. E. McDonald and W. H. Hyde vs. August A. Rose. Petition for feigned issue. Court granted rule to show cause why an issue should not be ordered as prayed for, returnable next argument court.

Estate of James Anderson, late of Hamilton township, deceased. Inventory and appraisement list of personal estate set apart to widow approved.

Lone Willie Banking Co vs Allison Shaffer & Co. Motion for rule to show cause of action and why attachment should not be dissolved granted, returnable next argument court.

T. N. Barnsdale vs. L. A. Barnsdale. Motion on part of plaintiff's attorneys for order of court on stenographer to file copy of testimony granted.

Patrick Manning vs. H. H. & F. R. R. Jury sworn. Plaintiff records. Jury withdraws.

J. D. Gray vs. J. W. Neely. Opinion of court on motion for new trial filed. Case dismissed, caused by plaintiff's attorney of all above. $300 as per order of court.

Estate of Ralph Crossmire. Order of court to sell real estate.

Estate of Niles Crossmire. Order of court to sell real estate.

For dyspepsia and all other conditions resulting from constipation, go by the book on Beecham's pills.

Book free, pills 25c. At drugstores; or write to B F Allen Co, 365 Canal st, New York.

Begin the New Year aright and get your insurance written by W. F. Speight.

Attention Assessment No. 39 is now due. All members not paying on or before April 30th will stand suspended. Test dues must also be paid by that time.

T. J. GILBERT, R. K.

Relief the Same 50 Years.

Capt. A. P. Loud is a prominent resident of Hampden, Me. For 30 years he sailed the seas and upon retiring from that calling, was appointed by the U. S. government to superintend its interests in the Alaska seal fisheries, a position he held five years. In speaking of his experience, he says: "For several years I was greatly troubled with nervousness, and a pain in the region of my heart. It was almost impossible for me to get rest and sleep. Physicians from New York to San Francisco did me no good, but Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine and New Heart Cure speedily and completely cured me. I owe my present and excellent health to them.

When you are troubled with dizziness, your appetite all gone, and you feel bad generally, take a few doses of Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters, and you will be surprised at the improvement in your feelings. Every bottle warranted to give satisfaction.

The Cross gardens and green houses in Bradford are for rent. These gardens are in excellent shape for raising vegetables for city market. The green houses are as near perfection as can be.
n16-tf B. F. BUNDY.

FOR SALE.

A VERY DESIRABLE PROPERTY.

The subscriber offers for sale the property on King street known as the Rogers homestead. It is located on the corner of King and Washington streets, two squares from the Court House, and is one of the most desirable private residences in the borough of Smethport. It will be sold at a low figure and on easy terms.

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Smethport, Pa.

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MRS. C. C. WILLIAMS.
Smethport, Pa., March 26, 1894.—3m

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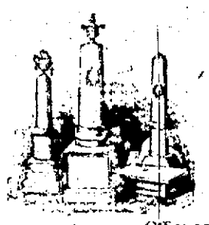

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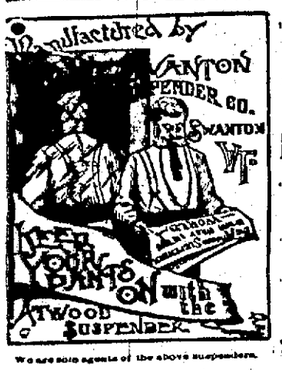

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TALK OF THE TOUT.

PECULIAR EXPRESSIONS USED ON THE RACE TRACKS.

While Mystifying to the Uninitiated, They Are Easily Understood When Once Explained—Some of the Phrases Are Very "Catchy"—Mostly of English Origin.

Race track phrases as intricate to the uninitiated as a Fiji islander's love song are fast creeping into all walks of life, and the slang which makes up the vocabulary of the turfman is liable to be heard in the social small talk of the day, in the rigid business house and frequently in the clubs. Where some of the terms originated is a mystery, but the genuine "tout" speaks nothing else, and his jargon is at once interesting and novel. Nearly all of the expressions, like the thieves' lore, probably came from the English courses, and the English race going people are more familiar with the words of the stable boy or lower class than the American patrons of this sport of the kings. The running track has loaned some of its choice ones to the trotters, and the mixture at the tracks where the long tailed light harness performers win stakes and purses is a combination of later years.

The modern "tout," this genius being one who almost sleeps on tracks and imparts his early morning information to you when half of the winnings of your bet are promised him, can spin it off by the yard, and some of his expressions are indeed unique.

"There she goes all to pieces," he will exclaim as the filly he has picked to win suddenly wavers and begins to fall to the rear. He may say something about her "shutting up like a jackknife" as she drops into the "muck," which name is applied to the tail end of the procession. Should she go out of her proper course in running, he will inform you that she has "bolted," and he will call her a "bear" if she happens to swerve against another horse, impeding his progress. If she should have been pulled for some reasons he had not learned, he may call her a "dead un," meaning that she was not intended to win, but if he applies the word "duffer" to her that means she couldn't beat anything.

On the turf the term "deadbeat" has two meanings. It is sometimes applied to a horse completely exhausted and is always applied to any man who fails to pay his debts. In the latter sense the turf is no different from any other place.

"Why, he'll lead from end to end" would signify that the animal in question will be in front of the others from the start to the finish. Should another horse come up suddenly and dispute every inch of the way, the newcomer is said to "challenge" the other, and when he arrives alongside of him and there is no difference between their noses from the stand the two are racing "head and head." It might seem to be a breach of etiquette to hear a man say that some old horse is the "swellest maiden" on the track. This would indicate that the horse is the best one that has never won a race.

Should a track follower tell you that he saw a certain horse out for a "pipe opener" in the morning, but he didn't "negotiate" well, he is intending to convey the information that in the morning exercise the horse would not jump or run well.

The betting terms on the track are quite amusing, and some of the expressions for amounts of money are on a par with the "caper," "benny," "mush" and other common terms among the light fingered gentry. "I run a pony to a century and then dropped the whole thing trying to run it into a monkey." The pony is $25, the century $100 and the monkey $500. Should he have won the last bet, and the bookmaker, taking time by the forelock and his cashbox by the handle, disappeared without paying off, the dishonest gentleman would have carried the name "welcher" around with him the rest of his life. The words "cinch," "moral," "lead pipe" and a few others not unlike them are fixed to indicate that a horse cannot lose unless he should fall down.

To win "hands down" is to reach the wire first without effort or "in a bloody canter," as a track follower might observe in his philosophical way. And when they say a bookmaker—the man who lays odds against your judgment—is "rounding" up his book they mean he is trying to get money on some horses which have not been heavily backed, so that no matter who wins his percentage is there just the same.

"Come" means a horse which is catching the leaders very rapidly and "coming again" means one that has done this, then fallen back and suddenly gaining courage and speed makes another dash for the front. Should he jump on to the hind legs of one in the lead he will be said to have "cut him down," and should horse or jockey fall just as they are in sight of the money somebody will probably say, "He came down a cropper."

The vocabulary of the follower of the track is quite extensive and very catching, for the pleasant little dinners after the derby or handicap has been decided are likely to have lots of such expressions mixed in the idle prattle while the viands are being discussed.—Exchange.

A Remarkable Sight.

There is a natural gas spring in Idaho that is one of the most remarkable sights ever witnessed. It is about 100 miles from Boise City and is at the bottom of a canyon. The rock there seems to be of a porous nature, and there are innumerable small holes and fissures. These are lighted by tourists, who drop matches into them until a space of about an acre in extent is sending forth bright blue flames.—New York Post.

An Eye to Business.

"See here! This calico you sold me won't wash."

"It won't, eh? Then let me sell you a washing machine."—Texas Siftings.

A Queer Thing About Camels.

Some years ago when the British troops were fighting against the forces of the Mahdi in the Soudan opportunity was afforded to many of the correspondents accompanying the expedition to study the habits of the camel. Most of the transportation of the soldiers' baggage was done by these ships of the desert, as they are called, and at night some of the newspaper men spent a portion of their leisure trying to learn something new about these strange creatures.

One of them, who was an inveterate smoker, discovered that the camel is a great lover of tobacco. Let any one smoke a pipe or cigar in the camel compound, said he, and the camel will follow the smoker about, place his nose close to the burning tobacco, inhale the fumes with a prolonged sniff, swallow the smoke, then throwing his head up, with mouth agape and eyes upturned, showing the bloodshot whites, will grunt a sigh of ecstasy that would make the fortune of a low comedian in a love scene.—Harper's Young People.

Nantucket Ahead.

Claimants for priority are constantly getting into trouble by making statements founded on insufficient premises. Referring to the mention by a Boston paper that a lady candidate for overseer of the poor at Dedham was the first of her sex to aspire to that office, the Nantucket Inquirer says: "Nantucket elected a lady overseer a year ago—Mrs. Malin da S. Barney—and again in 1894 has re elected the same lady and another—Mrs. Susan P. Jones. So Nantucket is a year ahead and proud of the step she took."

HIS APOLOGY FOR CROSS WORDS.

It Was a Wildcat Scheme, but the Nevada Cowboy Propitiated the Lady.

"On my overland trip to San Francisco I was treated to the exhibition of a rough ranchman pat very much on his good behavior," said a New York lady. "We had got out at one of the stations in Nevada for dinner. I have forgotten the name of the place, if ever I noted it, but if it wasn't Poverty Flat it was misnamed. Not feeling hungry, I leaned back in my chair, idly looking at the distant sand hills through the open window opposite, unmindful of the rattle of knives and plates around me. A rough voice at my very ear startled me from my dream.

"'Here, why the hell don't you pass me the butter?'

"It came from the nearer one of two stalwart, sunburned men, who seemed to be ranchers or miners. They sat beside me in dusty high top boots and rough pea jackets, with their broad brimmed hats on, and were eating as if they had long arrears to make up in the way of square meals.

"Imagine my astonishment at such a summons, which I made no doubt was addressed to me. But I was too much intimidated to be indignant and hastily handed him not only the butter, but everything else within my reach. At this he looked round at me for the first time, and his look of amazement showed that he was worse taken back than I had been. He did not thank me, but took his hat off and put it under his chair, and nudging his companion said in an awestricken stage whisper:

"'I say, Jim, take your hat off. She's a lady.'

"Then, evidently wishing to make further amends for his discourtesy, he again turned to me:

"'Say, marm, hev ye ever seen a live wildcat? 'Cause if yer ain't I've got one outside here I catched myself, an I'll take ye out after we get through eatin an show it ter ye.'

"I thanked him and said I would be very glad to see it, as I had never seen one. After dinner, having still 10 minutes to spare, we went to see the wildcat. It was in a rough wooden box with wooden bars, crouching as far back as it could get, with its eyes gleaming like coals of fire. When one of the men offered it a piece of meat on the end of a stick, it made a spring that seemed as if it would break through the bars, but the stick had a sharp point that made it beat a hasty retreat, though not before it had secured the meat, over which it snarled viciously. Its owner told me he had brought it to the station to send it to a friend who kept a 'clubhouse,' whatever that is, in Carson City. I asked him to tell us how he caught it, but before he could answer the conductor called out, 'All aboard!' As the train got under way I looked back and saw my two friends flying across the country on their mustangs."—New York Sun.

Stage Drivers of Early Days.

Speaking of stage drivers reminds one of the glory of stages, which reached its crowning point when rival lines ran between Sacramento and Virginia, Nev. Six magnificent horses to each coach, the coaches the finest possible, the horses caparisoned with every ornament which could be added to enhance their beauty. The driver, in a leaskin coat and cap, leaskin gauntlets, was a little sovereign in his way. No matter what the grade was, no matter how fierce the blizzard or how deep the snow, he carried things through on schedule time. He cared nothing for snowslides or high water, and his ruling idea was that he must make the station ahead of the opposition line.

In this work there were a dozen men, each with a personality of his own and all with a perfect art in their hands and their brains which made them sovereigns, and the locomotive that succeeded them did not very much increase the pride which some of them made. Each had his friends, his champions; each was greatest in his sphere among a certain crowd, but they were altogether great. The like of them was never before and never will be again.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Deep Sea Thermometer.

The deep sea thermometer, as invented abroad and improved by officers of the United States navy, is a marvelously ingenious and effective contrivance. It is in effect a self registering instrument, though not technically so called. The thermometer is so arranged that it is automatically turned upside down when the machinery begins to draw it up from the depth at which the temperature is to be ascertained. The effect of the inverting process is to break the column of mercury, and a small portion of the column remains in the upper end of the tube, exactly enough to measure the temperature at the moment of inversion. The tube is graduated so as to read from either end, and the quantity of mercury in the upper part of the tube is so small that it does not respond to any but great and sudden changes of temperature. It thus happens that the reading, when the thermometer reaches the surface, is practically correct for the temperature at the point of inversion.—Kansas City Times.

A Rare Chance.

Mother—Yes, my dear. I know that he is very much older than you are. He is one of the old fashioned gentlemen, the only one of the old stock left unmarried, and I advise you to take him.

Daughter—But why? He is not even rich.

Mother—Wealth does not bring happiness, my daughter. Like his father before him, he will do his own marketing, and if the steak is tough you can growl at him instead of him at you.—New York Weekly.

Early Depravity.

"Papa," asked Tommy Goodman, "who was Cain's wife?"

"Caroline," said the Rev. Dr. Goodman after an ominous pause, addressing his wife, "will you please hand me my heaviest slipper and leave the room? There is going to be a trial for heresy right here, and right now."—Chicago Tribune.

Relieving Snowbound Passengers.

"I was snowbound in Michigan a few years ago, between Copperville and Nunica," said a traveling salesman, "The snow was four feet deep on a level and still falling. The passengers had eaten up everything the train boy had, including seven mixed candies, and children were crying for food. A grocery salesman offered his samples of tea and coffee, and these were boiled at the engine. Then I started, accompanied by another passenger, to go to a farmhouse to get some bread and butter. We waded through the snow, and by the time we got there were nearly frozen, but we could detect the odor of cooking victuals and felt that our mission would be successful.

"In answer to our knock a woman came to the door and flatly refused to let us have bread at any price. Five large loaves, just baked, were on a table and a jar of butter near it. I told my friend to go to the front door and argue with them while I stole the food. This programme was carried out, and I started back through the snow with the bread and butter. I had not gone far before I could hear the farmer behind swearing at me. Then came a race through the snow. Twice I fell down and soaked the bread in the snow, but I hung on to it and reached the train at the same time the farmer did. There a hundred passengers were ready to help me, and we had one square meal. I had offered $1 a loaf for the bread and started to make the promise good, but the passengers insisted that the man should get nothing except the empty butter jar."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A DANGEROUS FLIGHT.

One Old Sailor's Exciting Adventure With a Polar Bear In the Cold Regions.

There is an old soldier named Jake recently returned to San Francisco from an Arctic cruise, who has made up this mind not to go on another whaling expedition no matter what happens. The reason is this: On one occasion during his late voyage Jake was on the watch in the lookout cradle at the masthead, and it was night—that is, as much night as it ever gets up there in summer. The sun had been down about an hour and would rise again about an hour later.

It was a beautiful sight as the ship lay there in the ice, and the air seemed scintillating with a phosphorescent glow that penetrated everywhere and made no shadows. On all sides the pack ice lay close to the vessel and reached for miles in every direction, broken occasionally by a large berg or the faint outlines of another ship. The silence was profound. It seemed to produce a roaring sound like the waves of a distant ocean. Such surroundings will put a person in a semicomatose state, from which the slightest sound will awaken him with a start.

Jake suddenly saw something white in the gloom climbing the mast. His first impulse was to jump to the deck, but before he could act upon it the white object climbed through the lubber hole, and Jake then saw it was a polar bear. Jake realized that he was in a most dangerous position and began to think of means to escape. He called to the watch on deck below, but they couldn't hear. He tried to get out under the canvas, but the beast grabbed him and pulled him back. It began thumping him, and every time Jake attempted to move away it would growl. Suddenly his eyes lighted on a rope hanging to the deck just back of the cradle. By this means he thought he could reach the deck. To swing himself free was but the work of an instant, but the bear made a jump and caught hold of his foot. But a few vigorous kicks freed him, and then began a new terror. Perhaps the rope was not strong and would break, or he might miss the stay and swing against the mast and be dashed to death.

The moment in the air seemed years filled with horror, and several times Jake wished he had taken his chances with the bear. To grab the stay and hold on was the most difficult, and twice Jake's hands slipped and almost lost it.

When he reached the deck, he looked up and saw the rope swing back to the cradle, where the bear grabbed it. It tried to do as it had seen Jake do, but had no sooner swung clear than it slipped and fell to the deck. The crew had bearsteak for breakfast.—San Francisco Item.

Nitric Acid and Tin.

In a paper read before the London Chemical society by C. H. Walker on the action of nitric acid on tin, some of the prevalent ideas on that subject are shown to be singularly erroneous. Among these is the general supposition that metallic tin dissolves in nitric acid with the production of both a stannous and stannic salt, according to the conditions of temperature and concentration of the acid. In these latter experiments —made to determine the amounts of stannous salts formed under various conditions of temperature, concentration of acid and mass of tin treated—it is shown that with dilute acids the increase of temperature has but little effect, but with more concentrated acids the effect is more marked, for the alteration of a few more degrees will reduce the amount of stannous salt to nothing, while the increase of concentration, other things being equal, decreases the proportion of stannous salt. It is found that the yellowish white substance formed from concentrated solutions is a hydrated stannic nitrate of varying composition, depending on the relative proportion of tin and nitric acid, also on the method of purification adopted for eliminating the nitric acid.—New York Sun.

Dismay in the Diplomatic Quarter.

The advance agent of a theatrical company which was to make a visit of three nights in Washington had summonses in legal phraseology prepared and sealed with wax, notifying the receiver that he must appear at the box office and buy at least one ticket of admittance for the play.

They were formally addressed and sent by messenger to the prominent people of Washington. A number of foreigners in the diplomatic corps received them, and not understanding the peculiar methods resorted to by the Americans hastened to the secretary of state to demand protection, protesting that they knew nothing of the matter mentioned in the summons, and that it was a breach of national law to arrest an accredited foreign representative.

It required the combined efforts of Secretary Gresham and his several assistant secretaries to explain the thing to the foreigners without hurting their feelings or wounding their dignity.—Washington Letter.

New Readings of Old Proverbs.

London Tit-Bits has "twisted" 12 proverbs as follows: "All is not beer that's bitter. The pledge in time saves crime. It's the long cane that cures slow learning. She talks most who talks fast. Who can't be cured should be incured. There's many a tip 'twixt the meal and the lip. The nearer the bed the colder the sheet. When the fuel goes into the fire, the fog flies out of the chimney. Marry for taste—pain, rather than treasure. Once kitten, now pie. It isn't the scowl that makes one funk. Half a sofa's better than no bed."

Only Resting.

"You've had 25 years' experience as a farmer? Well, it's pretty hard work, isn't it?" "I thought it was till I came to town once to run a grocery store. I'm back on the farm again. Farmin ain't work. It's restin."—Chicago Tribune.

Marriage Once Was Solemn.

Miss Backbay—What a solemn thing it is for two people to wed—to cleave to one another till death them do part!

Mrs. Jackson-Parke—Isn't it though? I'm mighty glad that folks don't have to marry on any such cast iron conditions nowadays.—Indianapolis Journal.

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A Turkish Wedding.

An artistic mistress of the ceremonies, being congratulated on the success with which she had managed the details of an English wedding, remarked impatiently that there had been one blot on the scene—namely, the bridegroom. She only wished it could have been arranged for him and his black coat to remain outside in the brougham till the thing was over.

Had she received an invitation to a Turkish wedding, as once by good luck did a party of English ladies, among whom was the writer of the present sketch, her wish might have been gratified, as it is quite possible to attend such a function without even catching a passing glimpse of the crimson fez of the husband elect.

The latter spends the hours of his bridal day in getting married to himself—that is, he visits the priest and the notary, takes out and signs his marriage contract, attends a religious service at the mosque, partakes of a sumptuous breakfast with his friends, and as the ceremonies cover a considerable portion of the week, I should not be surprised to hear that during the time he even goes on a wedding tour in solitude and on his own account.—London Graphic.

A Searching Examination.

A sailor who desired to re-enlist in the service of the navy for a cruise was rejected by the examining board for defective eyesight. He had made a good record, and naval academy officers, including the surgeons who had been compelled to make an unfavorable report in his case, interested themselves in his behalf. He finally went to Washington and armed with the recommendations from the naval academy urged his claims before the surgeon general. "Do you see the Washington monument out that window?" asked that official. "Yes, sir," promptly replied the sailor. To test his eyesight as well as his honesty another question was propounded, "See that sparrow on the top of the monument?" Without hesitation the sailor replied, "No, sir." "Neither do I," added the chief examining officer. "Your eyesight seems to be good enough, and I shall at once order your reinstatement in the navy."—Baltimore Sun.

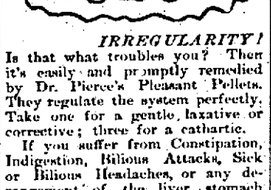
Korean Use For Human Hair.

Human hair is in great demand in some of the countries of Europe, and the supply is said to be inadequate. Our consul in Korea points out that there is plenty and to spare in the Hermit Kingdom. "The Koreans," he adds, "have remarkably fine heads of hair, and they put these 'combings' to a use that I have never seen elsewhere. A very large number of the saddlecloths placed under the packs of their ponies are made of hair woven into coarse mats or bags, and the halters and head ropes of their animals are largely composed of the same material. I believe that human hair is largely exported from China to Europe, and Korea could furnish a large and cheap supply did the people know there there was a demand for it." Here's a chance for some pioneer of commerce.—Westminster Gazette.

Mines of Petrifactions.

North Colorado and parts of Wyoming and Montana are genuine mines of petrifactions. There are petrifactions of every kind, including many varieties of wood, ferns and plants, fish, toads, snails, frogs, serpents, shellfish and objects which cannot be classified. The deposits often occur in layers, as though some great natural convulsion had destroyed the animal life of a whole district at once. The scientists make very few and tolerably weak attempts to explain the secular phenomenon, and the fact is evident that they know no more about the matter than do the men who pick out the best specimens and sell them to tourists.—Chicago Herald.

There was a wine makers' union in Rome B. C. 64. They had regular meetings at which they discussed the best methods of concentrating wine so as to reduce it to a syrup and finally to a solid cake, in which form it was often preserved for many years.



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"You may have some use for this loose silver, my dear."

"Thanks so much," said the lady, with a toss of her shimmering head. "I've plenty of change, thank you."

Now, what I want to know was—because I couldn't help overhearing it—why did she put such a circumflex accent on the word change? Why did she emphasize the word change—italicize the word, so to speak? This incident has worried me ever since, because I do not know whether the lady meant that he ought to give her bills and keep the change for himself, or whether, in fact, she scorned the change, even though he gave her the greater part of all the money he had? The more you think this question over the more its horrible fascination will grow upon you. Was he a mean man, or wasn't he?—New York Press.

Antifriction Materials.

The idea of using for machinery bearings some material developing only little friction when worked dry and without oil is not one of recent date only, but may be said to go back to the time of the Romans, as some of the hand flour mills found at Pompeii have the lower stone fitted with an iron bearing which evidently worked dry in the stone socket of the upper stone. I believe the wooden axles of wagons which are used in some parts of England at the present time to transport heavy grindstones from the quarries are constructed with axles of oak in a similar manner. Throughout Egypt, in the Nubian water wheels, which are everywhere employed for irrigation, unlubricated wooden bearings are used, which appear to wear very slowly, the surface of the bearing acquiring a fine glaze. Stone bearings have also been employed for shafts.

In addition to these oilless bearings there are others in which perhaps a small quantity of grease might have been employed, such as the leather bushes used in spinning wheels and the leather band on that part of the one which works in the rowlock may be quoted as an instance of leather working on wood. Glass has also been tried, but the only kind which has survived to the present and has been the most successful of all is the plumbago bearing.—Killingworth Hedges in Cassier's Magazine.

Never "Holler" Murder.

I'll give you a pointer which don't forget, my son. Never holler murder, as most people do when the midnight assassin steals upon you. Worst thing in the world you can do. Nobody'll come. People in bed will cover up their heads and crouch low, and even the constable will have business in another direction. Murder is a scary word. Just holler fire. That'll fetch 'em. Every window within the sound will be hoisted, and everybody will tumble out in a jiffy. When you're assaulted, yell up a conflagration. That'll bring a crowd. Holler murder, and you're a goner.—Washington Post.

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